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MESSAGE: King Khalid Monday received a written message from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, delivered by Iraqi Minister of Interior Saudun Shaker. Shaker met the King with Crown Prince Fahd, Prince Abdullah, commander of the National Guard, Prince Sultan, Minister of Defense and Aviation, and Interior Minister Prince Naif. Prince Naif also received the Iraqi envoy when he arrived at the airport. Later, King Khalid received the Ulema and Sheikh, as customary every Monday.

Leftwinger Michael Foot Labor Party elects new leader

LONDON, Nov. 11 (AP) — Breaking with decades of traditional moderate leadership, Britain's opposition Labor Party elected leftwinger Michael Foot, 67, its new leader Tuesday, in an apparent bid to restore unity to the country's feuding socialist movement.

Foot, who is pledged to ban U.S. nuclear weapons from British soil and favors a gradual withdrawal from the European Economic Community, defeated center-right candidate Denis Healey, 63, by 10 votes in a runoff ballot among Labor's 268 legislators.

Bomb defused in N. Lebanon

BEIRUT, Nov. 11 (R) — Military experts defused a bomb containing an estimated 20 kilograms of explosives in the northern port of Tripoli at dawn Tuesday, state-run Beirut radio reported.

Only 12 hours earlier two car bombs went off in a busy shopping center in Christian east Beirut, killing 10 persons and wounding more than 60.

The radio said the explosives were spotted by a security patrol touring the city, 90 kilometers north of here.

On Monday the booby-trapped cars exploded around lunchtime in the Beirut district of Ashrafieh, which is dominated by the right-wing Phalangist Party.

The bomb exploded in a car park close to Beirut's main square. The other went off about 500 meters away. Ten persons were killed and 65 wounded, security sources said.

Several houses were damaged and more than 15 cars destroyed in the blast which burst water pipes that spouted over the area. The bombs left craters three meters wide and the bodies of some victims were charred beyond recognition. Several of the wounded were in a serious condition.

An explosives expert said the first bomb contained 80 kilograms of TNT and the second 60 kilograms. No one claimed responsibility for the blasts and the Phalangist Party did not immediately blame anyone.

Phalangist militiamen sealed off areas hit by the blasts and explosives experts searched the wreckage for clues on who planted the bombs. The blasts followed a wave of attacks last summer after Phalangist militiamen crushed rival rightist forces of the National Liberal Party (NLP) in a surprise attack in July. The Phalangists were again in action against the NLP at the end of last month.

The bomb blasts added to the problems of Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan who was appointed just over two weeks ago. He has already had to contend with an upsurge in factional fighting between heavily-armed paramilitary groups and Israeli strikes into South Lebanon. An Israeli bombing raid on Friday killed four persons and wounded 25.

Wazzan appealed to Lebanese "to join hands and work together to achieve national reconciliation in the country" after five years of violence. "This is not just a government responsibility but a national responsibility..." He said in a press statement.

Four other car-bombings in east Beirut claimed a total of at least 13 lives in the past four months, Bashir Gemayel commander of the Phalangist forces, had blamed the PLO for the previous blasts, but PLO officials termed the accusations "silly."

Phalangist leaders have publicly denied that they receive arms and funds from Israel, but at least one, Bashir Gemayel's brother, Amin, said that the Lebanese Christians are the only people in the area willing to offer peaceful coexistence with the Jewish state.

SR229m contracts signed

SANAA, Nov. 11 (SPA) — Two contracts signed at the Foreign Ministry here Tuesday will provide for the equipment, management and operation of a SR 229 million Saudi Arabian hospital at Saada. Ambassador to Sanaa Sheikh Trad Al-Harethi signed for the Kingdom with Yemeni Foreign Minister Ali Lutfi Al-Thor signing for his country.

The hospital "is a product of the fraternal coordination and cooperation between the Kingdom and North Yemen in the context of the Kingdom's aid program to Yemen," the Yemeni official told newsmen. Sheikh Trad said that Saudi Arabian officials were keen on promoting medical care in Yemen, and the Kingdom already had set up several smaller clinics there. All the projects, the ambassador repeated, are part of the fraternal cooperation between the two countries.

The signing was attended by Saudi officials including Col. Meooid Aed Al-Meteri, the military attaché, and Abdul Aziz bin Abdullah ibn Khamis, head of the Saudi Arabian projects office in North Yemen. On the Yemeni side were Ibrahim Al-Kabsi, under secretary for foreign affairs, and Anwar Al-Hariri, assistant undersecretary for the central planning body as well as the head of the Foreign Ministry Protocol.

The same day, Sheikh Trad called on Interior Minister Lt. Col. Ali Athreb and delivered equipment worth SR 25 million for the security forces, including: trucks, fire trucks, tow trucks, tents, ambulances, traffic lights, cameras, buses, a mobile workshop, and much more. The ambassador gave Athreb a letter from Saudi Arabian Interior Minister Prince Naif dealing with the gift. Athreb forwarded his thanks to King Khalid, Crown Prince Fahd, and Prince Naif.

S. Koreans win SR570m sewage deal

ANK, Nov. 11 (SPA) — A Korean construction company was awarded an SR570 million contract for building a new sewage network for the town of Ank, it was announced Tuesday. The Seoul-based Hanyang Corporation will be handed the sites of work shortly. Ank Municipality Director Mubarak Al-Tamimi said.

Hanyang, with an experience of about five years in the Kingdom, was involved in local construction activity. One of the major contracts it won is the \$294 million contract in Riyadh housing program.

Tamimi said that among other projects of the municipality is an expropriation project in favor of opening new streets and expanding others. The project is allocated SR462 million, and the municipality is preparing for issuing the compensations for people whose land was expropriated.

Ank municipality is carrying out a temporary sewage project that will cost SR8 million, an asphalt and illuminating of the streets of Ank, Jash and Millaha at a cost of SR22 million and completing the vegetable and meat market at SR550,000, Tamimi said.

Tehran releases Ghotbzadeh

TEHRAN, Nov. 11 (Agencies) — Ex-Foreign Minister Sadeq Ghotbzadeh was released Monday night after a three-day spell in jail that highlighted a running feud between Iran's centrists and Islamic fundamentalists. Ghotbzadeh was freed on the personal orders of revolutionary leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, with whom he has long been associated, following a mounting wave of protests.

The former minister was detained on Friday by revolutionary guards after he appeared in a television debate and criticized the role of the Islamic fundamentalists in running the state on the broadcasting service, the "Voice and Vision of the Islamic Republic" (VVIR). No charges were brought against Ghotbzadeh. Ghotbzadeh supports the relatively moderate and pragmatic policies of president Abolhassan Bani-Sadr. He has long been at loggerheads with the dominant Islamic Republican Party (IRP), which is backed by the fundamentalists.

Newspaper reports said 300,000 "bazaaris" — merchants and workers in the capital's labyrinthine Bazaar — signed a petition demanding that Ghotbzadeh be freed.

Begin rejects Romanian plea for return of West Bank mayors

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11 (AP) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin rejected a plea from Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu to prevent the expulsion of two nationalist Palestinian mayors from the occupied West Bank, Israeli radio reported Tuesday.

Begin turned down Ceausescu's request, conveyed 10 days ago by Romania's ambassador here, and said he could not interfere with the "judicial" process. Israel's supreme court is deliberating an appeal by Hebron Mayor Fahd Qawasmeh and Muhammad Milhem of Halhoul against a decision by Israel's West Bank military government to uphold expulsion orders against the two.

Chatti reveals Panel to help settle war

PARIS, Nov. 11 (Agencies) — Habib Chatti, secretary-general of the Organization of Islamic Conference, has proposed creating a committee of six Muslim heads of state to try to settle the Iraqi-Iranian conflict, he revealed here Tuesday. Iraq has approved the idea and Iran "has not refused," Chatti told newsmen after talks here with French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing.

Chatti said he hoped for a favorable Iranian reply so the Islamic Conference could resume its good offices mission. But he admitted the positions of Iraq and Iran "remain irreconcilable" at present.

Meanwhile Iran is willing to have a United Nations envoy come as requested by Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, Radio Tehran announced Tuesday after a meeting of the supreme defense council "somewhere in Khuzestan".

Committee spokesman Sayed Ali Khamenei said: "If that representative comes...to learn Iran's position and see the traces of the Iraqi invasion, we are not against his coming." The council also discussed five propositions by Cuban Foreign Minister Isidoro Malmuerta including one calling for an Iraqi withdrawal and an agreement by the two sides to go back to their 1975 border agreement. Ayatollah Khamenei said:

"But since the five points are not clear, we have asked for clarifications...and we will decide afterwards," he said.

Before the council meeting President Abul Hassan Bani-Sadr told an Iranian newsmen who asked about that proposition, that if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein "who wanted to conquer Khuzestan in three days, retreats so easily now, we owe everything to the bravery of our armed forces," the Iranian Press news agency said.

However Saddam Hussein made a personal commitment Monday night to withdraw Iraqi troops from Iran as soon as that country recognizes Iraqi demands — but the demands remain very stiff, and Hussein threatened to "dismantle" Iran if necessary to achieve them.

Meeting the international press for the first time since the Iraqi-Iranian war began, Hussein said that "as soon as Iran recognizes our rights, we will withdraw from its territory. We are fighting only to recover our plundered lands."

"We do not want to humiliate Iran, we could not even be happy if that country were destroyed," he added. Nevertheless, the Iraqi president appeared to have hardened his position, adopting claims by other Arab countries in the Gulf as his own.

"Arabs," he said, "must profit from this war to gain satisfaction of their rights. It is only on that basis that the world will regain its calm and rid itself of the devil of Qom," a reference to Khomeini.

Iraq envoy in Moscow

BAGHDAD, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Iraqi Vice-Premier Tarek Aziz arrived in Moscow at dawn Tuesday, the Iraqi News Agency INA reported here. In a dispatch from the Soviet capital, INA said that Aziz carried a letter to Soviet leaders from President Saddam Hussein on "bilateral relations and the current situation."

Gulf war with Iran. He said we were studying a resumption of oil pumping. "— tell the world and the Iranians that soon it will be no secret."

"Technical preparations are under way and when the oil is pumped everybody will see," he said. Hussein told the three-hour press conference, which was interrupted for 20 minutes when lights went off for an air raid alert, that Iraq realized the importance of oil from the Gulf.

"We want this area to enjoy stability," he said. "And we understand the importance of freedom of navigation in the Gulf and in the Straits of Hormuz."

"We are for the division of Iran, and spoiling Iran and damaging Iran, because it's become our enemy. When Iran is a friend



Habib Chatti



Saddam Hussein

who is neutral, we will want it to enjoy stability. This may be undiplomatic language but it is what is in our hearts," President Hussein said.

Asked if Iraqi forces would push further into Iranian territory, Hussein said: "We will do what we have to do in our arm-twistings to make them negotiate." He said it may be necessary for Iraq to take more territory and "Iran must know that the longer the war continues, the more additional rights we shall demand."

President Hussein said that Iraqi forces had advanced between 20 and 120 km (12 and 75 miles) inside Iran along a 550-km (350 mile) front.

"We were not happy to see Iran destroyed (before). But since Iran became our enemy, we shall be very happy to see it destroyed," Hussein said.

"But if Iran is friendly or neutral, we will see to it that it will enjoy stability. We did not wish the division of Iran until it became an enemy of the Arab nation."

From the warfront two Iranian jets were downed Tuesday and 76 Iranian men were killed Monday night and early Tuesday in war operations, the Iraqi midday communique No. 134 announced in Baghdad.

The communique, issued by the high command of the Iraqi Armed Forces, said the two jets were shot down over the northern Iraqi town of Haj Omran and were seen crashing inside Iranian territories. Civil targets in Haj Omran and Penjwin, Suleimaniyeh were raided by the hostile jets Tuesday morning, the communique said. In ground action, Iranian visible losses were 76 men killed and a large number of wounded on different sectors of the warfront, the communique said.

Iraq, Iran poised for fresh offensives

By Alex Efty

BAGHDAD, Nov. 11 (AP) — With the Gulf war in its eighth week both Iran and Iraq are poised for fresh offensives to break the stalemate on the battlefield after a period of retrenchment.

The presidents of the warring oil-rich Muslim countries made their intentions clear in separate press conferences last Monday.

Iran's Abolhassan Bani-Sadr said the Iranian armed forces had stopped the Iraqi advance into Iranian territory and were on the point of pushing the invader back.

Iraq's Saddam Hussein rejected notions the Iraqi advance had bogged down, maintaining the war operations were developing according to plan. He warned the Iraqi army was ready to punch forward to seize the whole of Iran's vital oil-producing Khuzestan province if Tehran continued to reject his peace terms.

"The oil-rigs and a great many Iranian

cities are no longer far from the reach of the Iraqi army. We may find it necessary to increase destroying Iran's arms until we wrench our rights," he declared.

Iraq demands recognition of its sovereignty over the whole of the Shat Al-Arab waterway, forming its disputed border with Iran, and some other minor border adjustments.

Iran's oil-wells lie just a few kilometers east of Ahwaz and Dezful, the two main Iranian cities in the central sector of the 500-kilometer frontline.

President Hussein revealed the Iraqi army was within seven kilometers of Ahwaz and Dezful both about 80 kilometers east of the border.

Dezful is 120 kilometers north of Ahwaz, the provincial capital of Khuzestan, which is the same distance north of Iran's main port of Khorramshahr, already in Iraqi hands. The war-ravaged port — city is 15 kilometers north of the besieged town and gaint oil

refinery of Abadan, at the southern end of the front at the head of the Gulf.

President Hussein also revealed Iraq's smallest penetration into Iran was 20 kms giving it a great advantage, he added.

Ahmad Hashim, a tough Iraqi paratroop colonel commanding a sector of the front around besieged Abadan told newsmen last week his troops could cross the Karun River and seize the island on which the city and the refinery of Abadan are located "the minute we are ordered to do so." But the political leadership preferred to continue the siege and weaken the enemy until it was forced to surrender, he added.

It was evident to newsmen visiting the front near Abadan the Iraqi army was indeed digging in and improving its communication lines, rather having to gain more territory at present. President Hussein stressed at length during his press conference his forces were proceeding methodically in preparation for what could be a long war.

Newsmen at the front verified President Hussein's statement that Iraqi civilian road construction gangs are currently busy laying down men new metal surface roads in the mixed terrain of flat semi-desert and marshland stretching between the border and the frontline.

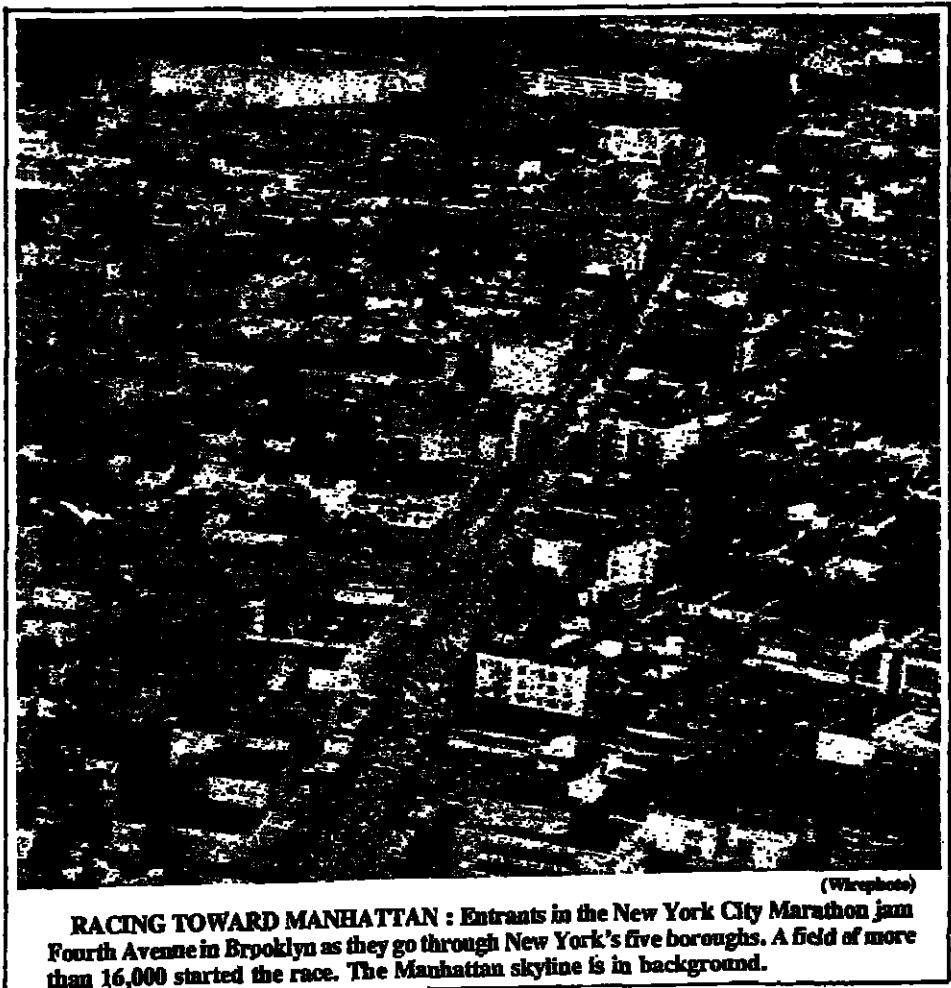
The road gangs and the Iraqi troops worked in the wide open spaces apparently without any undue concern about possible Iranian air strikes. Col. Hashim said these had become so infrequent as to be insignificant.

Both sides continue to send their jets to bomb targets deep in each other's territory. But these raids are neither as frequent or intense as during the first days of the war.

Military observers believe the air force is playing a diminishing role in the war after the first initial attempts by both sides to knock out the other's oil distribution and storage capabilities.

In contrast to Iran however where oil is rationed and reportedly increasingly scarce, oil is unrationed in Iraq. Military observers say the shortage of aviation fuel is probably the main reason for the reduced operations of the Iranian air force.

Going by the latest statements of the two presidents analysts believe a major battle may be shaping up before the heavy winter rains bog down both armies. For Iran the objective would be to regain its lost territory and possibly agree to peace talks without being at a disadvantage. For Iraq, a deeper thrust into Khuzestan would make it more problematical than ever for the Iranian leadership to keep the country going with diminishing fuel.



RACING TOWARD MANHATTAN: Entrants in the New York City Marathon Jan. Fourth Avenue in Brooklyn as they go through New York's five boroughs. A field of more than 16,000 started the race. The Manhattan skyline is in background.

Workers' statutes discussed

Ministers briefed on industry schemes

RIYADH, Nov. 11 (SPA) — The Council of Ministers was briefed by the acting minister of industry and electricity Monday on the Kingdom's overall industrial scheme with special emphasis on basic industries. The officials also reviewed a special progress report on the Jubail and Yanbu industrial complexes.

During its one-and-a-half hour meeting under Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, the cabinet also reviewed a set of recommendations by Interior Minister Prince Naif on certain issues pertaining to the Frontiers Guard.

According to cabinet spokesman, Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani, a report by Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Anqari, the minister of labor and social affairs, on certain aspects of the work and workers statute was discussed then referred to a ministerial committee for further examination.

The cabinet also was briefed by Minister of Higher Education Sheikh Hassan bin Abdullah Al-Sheikh on progress in admission and graduation from universities as well as the development of academic research and related problems.



MINISTERS: The Council of Ministers hears reports centering on industrial schemes, workers' statutes and the Frontiers Guards during their latest meeting.

Proceeds marked for families

Pakistan postage stamp to honor Palestinians

JEDDAH, Nov. 11 — Pakistan has decided to issue special postage stamps to project the cause of the Palestinian people.

The proceeds of the stamps will also go to the families of fighters and martyrs of the Palestinian cause, according to Pakistan embassy press statement.

The decision, taken at a cabinet meeting chaired by President Zia ul Haq last week, is in line with Pakistan's consistent support to the Palestinians in the shape of assistance to their national rights including the right to establish a sovereign state of their own in their homeland.

Pakistan has all along been forcefully articulating its staunch support to the Palestinian cause at all international forums both inside and outside the United Nations.

Its support goes back to the forties when various moves were being dished up to induct the Jewish population in Palestine.

"The founder of the nation, Mohammad Ali Jinnah, strongly denounced these moves branding them as 'thoroughly dishonest', 'unwarranted, monstrous and highly unjust', and against 'every canon of fairness and justice'."

Jinnah, affectionately known as the Quaid-e-Azam (the Great Leader) to his

people, warned the powers behind these moves of dire consequences. "Injustice to the Arabs in Palestine will set the whole Muslim world ablaze from one end to another", he said and warned that "any surrender to appease Zionists the sacrifice of the Arabs would be vehemently resisted by the Muslim world".

The latest articulation of Pakistan's unequivocal support to the Palestinian cause came from President General Mohammad Zia ul Haq when he addressed the U.N. General Assembly last month as spokesman of the Muslim world.

"Who can deny the justice of the cause of the Palestinian people who have been mercilessly uprooted from their sacred land after being in continuous possession of the best part of 1400 years, and who have been suffering untold oppression, tyranny and terrorism practised against them by the Zionist entity", Zia said.

Pointing out that the issue of Palestine "is at the core of the Middle East question," President Zia said "the stark reality is that Israel continues to defy the will of the world community, expressed through this very forum (the U.N. General Assembly) and the Security Council on numerous occasions. It continues to occupy Arab and Palestinian land by force.

"It is not time for further action by the world community so that the conditions stipulated generally by the world opinion, and specially by the Islamic Conference on the Palestinian problem, are met, and peace returns to the Middle East," Zia demanded.

"The Muslim world wholeheartedly supports the just struggle of the people of Palestine under the leadership of their legitimate and sole representative, the Palestine Liberation Organization, for the liberation of their sacred territory from Zionist rule and occupation," said President Zia.

Pakistan has played a leading role in mustering recognition and support for the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole representative of the Palestinian people, and there has been a continued development in bilateral co-operation between the two. The PLO has a resident representative in Pakistan.

Pakistan has been offering educational facilities to a large number of Palestinian students every year, and reserves substantial number of seats for them in its best institutions for professional education like medicines and engineering. The Palestinian students form the bulk of foreign scholars in Pakistani universities and colleges, with their number ranging between 200 to 250 a year.

Islamic group to consider investments

By Raana Siddiqi

JEDDAH, Nov. 11. — A three-day meeting of experts from Islamic States is to begin at the headquarters of the General Secretariat of the Islamic Conference beginning November 12 to draw up an agreement between OIC member states on protection and guarantee of investments.

The meeting is being called in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the eleventh Islamic conference of foreign ministers in May this year.

According to informed sources, the proposal for cooperation in the investment field between Islamic states was first mooted by the Kingdom, which has drawn up a comprehensive draft of the proposed agreement.

It was learned that the Kingdom's draft will be the main item on the agenda for the meeting. Kuwait is another country which has shown keen interest in certain proposals have also been received from other OIC members.

The results of the expert group meeting would be keenly followed by economic observers as this would be the first agreement of its kind to be worked out among OIC member states. The report of the experts is expected to be submitted for consideration and final approval of the Third Islamic Summit scheduled to be held in the Kingdom in the near future.

Societies aid farmers

JEDDAH, Nov. 11 (SPA) — There are so far 27 cooperative societies throughout Saudi Arabia each consisting of 10,326 members and having a capital of SR3,208,000. The societies took part in the overall development boom in Saudi Arabia in the agricultural, industrial, housing, commercial and other fields. They sell seeds, fertilizers, animal fodder, and pesticides to farmers at reasonable prices.

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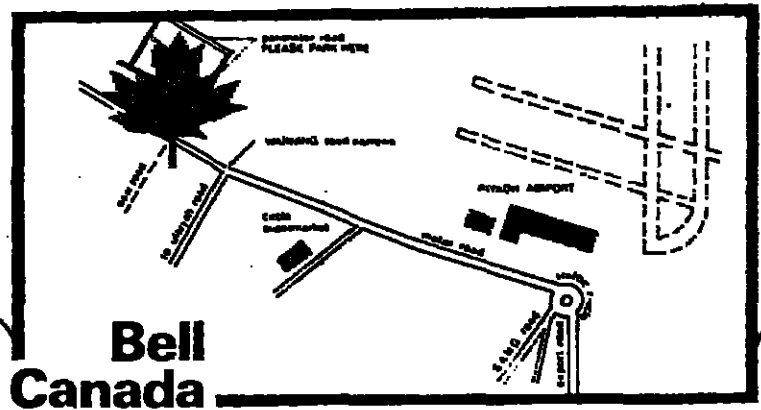
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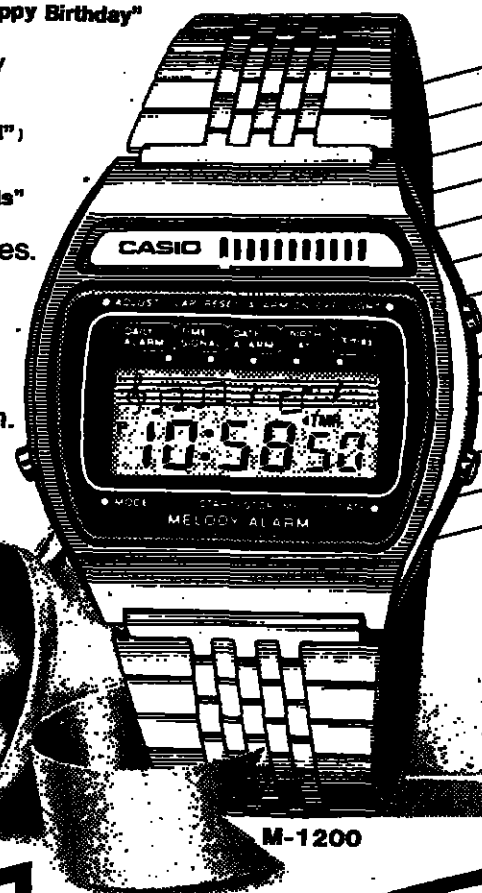
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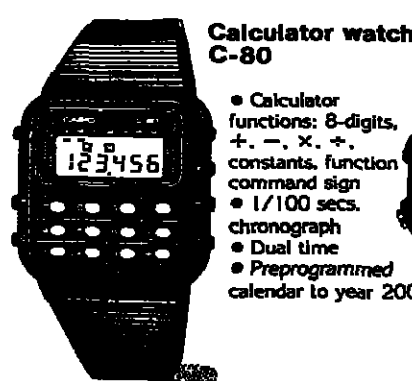
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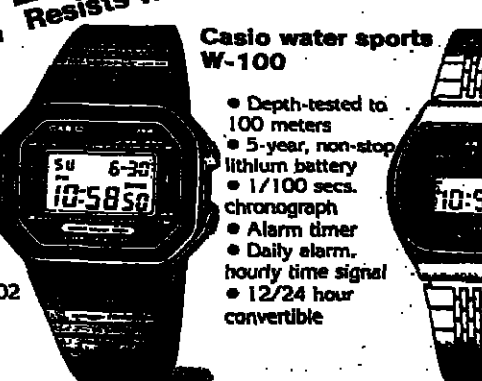
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Vocational incentives increased

New training session to open

QATIF, Nov. 11 (SPA) — The Qatif Vocational Training Center has organized several training sessions of various professions for morning classes, it was reported here Tuesday.

Abdullah Al-Khunaizi, the center's training chief, said that 51 trainees have enrolled in three carpentry sessions, 50 joined the electricity session, 46 joined two car and general mechanics sessions, 15 to plumbing sessions and 26 students joined two welding sessions.

The center also will organize additional courses in carpentry, electricity, car mechanics, plumbing and welding in the next few

months. The center graduated the first evening class. Ninety-seven trainees graduated from carpentry, electricity, car mechanics, plumbing and welding divisions, Khunaizi said.

The evening classes began again and 141 trainees enrolled the various divisions, he added.

Under the state policy to encourage vocational training, the monthly payments and incentives for trainees have been increased to SR 600 monthly and SR 120 food allowance during the first half of the training courses' period. In the second half, the monthly payment increases to SR 700. After six months

work after graduation, confirmed by a letter from organization were the trainees work, the center pays them an encouragement incentive of SR 3,000.

For those who work during the day and train in the evening classes, the monthly payment is SR 400 and they would be paid SR 2,000 after graduation.

The Council of Ministers approved last year an SR 100,000 loan from the Saudi Credit Bank for graduates of vocational and technical training centers wishing to open their own workshops.

Meanwhile, the Vocational Training Center of Dammam opened registration for two new electricity and plumbing courses. The center decided to admit 16 trainees for the electricity session that begins Dec. 8, and 25 students for the plumbing session that starts late in the same month.

The center's fourth printing course began Tuesday with 25 students registered for the session. The center will open the door for registration in various courses that include car mechanics, welding, refrigerators and tinkering shortly, it was reported.

SIDEF loans approved

RIYADH, Nov. 11 (SPA) — The board of trustees of the Saudi Arabian Industrial Development approved loans Tuesday for nine industrial projects whose financial commitments have reached SR115 million. The loans cover a number of dairy, red brick, and water purification and bottling factories. The board met Monday evening under Hamad Al-Sayari, deputy governor of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency and chairman of the fund's board of trustees.



EXHIBIT: A part of the Saudi Arabian wing at the sixth Arab book fair in Kuwait

In Kuwait

Arab countries exhibit books

JEDDAH, Nov. 11 — The sixth Arab Book Fair in Kuwait opened November 5 and will continue to the 14th. The affair was organized by the National Culture and Literature Council of Kuwait. Saudi Arabia is taking part with several government, private, educational and publishing institutions.

Thama Advertising, Public Relations and Marketing Co. participated for the first time in the fair. The other departments were the Ministry of Education, Riyadh University, King Abdul Aziz University of Jeddah, the Saudi Publishing and Distribution House, Al-Yamama Research, Translation and Publishing Est. and Okaz Publishing and Distribution Company.

The Saudi Arabian wing attracted the general public and intellectuals during the fair and acquainted them to cultural development in the Kingdom. The wing consisted of 396 new Saudi Arabian books, out of the 16,000 books displayed. The fair is attended by 16

Arab countries.

Thama Director General Sheikh Muhammad Said Taib and Baha Abu Ghazalah, the assistant director general for projects, who attended the dedication of the fair returned here recently. Ghazalah said that the fair was one of the most successful specialized shows regarding preparation and organization. "The fair was also a good meeting opportunity for 247 Arabian publishing firms that occupied 93 wings, he said.

The states that took part in the fair are Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Bahrain, Tunisia, Algeria, the UAE, Sudan, Syria, Iraq, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, and Morocco. In addition, the General Secretariat of Scientific Center and Associations involved in the Arabian Gulf and Peninsula studies, the Arab Union Institute and the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPPEC) participated through their publications.

Bechtel signs agreement for Yanbu complex

RIYADH, Nov. 11 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) signed a contract here Monday with Bechtel Limited for the design and supervision of the construction of a petrochemical complex at Yanbu' industrial city off the Red Sea coast.

The complex is to be built for the Saudi firm Yanpet (Yanbu' Petrochemical), which will start producing 490,000 metric tons of petrochemical products as of 1985.

Another contract was signed between SABIC and Yanpet Monday under which the latter will use an advanced method for the production of high density and low density ethylene under license from the former.



VISIT: Faisal Al-Shubaili (left), president of Saudi Government Railways Organization while visiting Hasan Zaher, Pakistani Railways Secretary. The officials exchanged joint minutes of Pakistani-Saudi cooperation discussions.

Ahmad arrives in China

TAIPEI, Nov. 11 (SPA) — Deputy Interior Minister, Prince Ahmad ibn Abdul Aziz, arrived here Tuesday at the start of a five-day visit to the Republic of China and was accorded red carpet treatment.

On his arrival at Taipei military base airport, Prince Ahmad was greeted by Interior Minister Chiang Han; Gen. Wang, the secretary general of the National Security Council; and other officials from the Interior Ministry; as well as Sheikh Ahmad Abu Aishi, the Saudi Arabian charge d'affaires here, as well as other members of the embassy.

After shaking hands with the interior minister, Prince Ahmad headed to the rostrum and stood to attention as a military band played the Saudi and Chinese national anthems. He then reviewed a guard of honor and shook hands with the well wishers before leaving with the accompanying delegation to

the official residence.

Prince Ahmad said he was pleased to visit the Republic of China and hoped that his visit will strengthen ties between the two friendly countries in the various fields. He told newsmen upon arrival that Saudi Arabian officials were keen on developing these ties further. He said that he will convey to the Chinese president, government and friendly people the greetings of King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd.

In reply to a question about the Iraqi-Iranian war, Prince Ahmad said that Saudi Arabia hopes that the conflict will be settled through peaceful means between these two brotherly countries. He added that Saudi Arabia is doing all that it can to end the war as soon as possible.

Prince Ahmad will visit a number of security installations and training centers and meet with Chinese officials.

COMMENT

By Jalal Abu Zaid

Al Medina

With the advent of the new Islamic century, the Saudi Arabian Society for Culture and Fine Arts is called upon to submit its budget showing profits and losses and the position it held at the close of the past century.

I believe that the general progress in arts has earned an official and independent status for the Society, supported by the Directorate General of Youth Welfare. There is no denying the fact that it represents both material and moral gain having its own weight and value in the eyes of all.

But, so far, the Society has not been able to attract all the artists, as it appears from the fact that few of them are its active members. It is a loss for both the society and the artists at the same time.

On the other hand, its members have continued to fill the various positions in succession, with some continuing and others abandoning their position. Though

this is a healthy phenomenon, the Society has not for once thought of them who are really capable and deserving to occupy responsible positions in the society. I consider it a loss, since they are an important factor and the Society can benefit from them in boosting its activities.

Apart from this, the Society has its branches spread in different regions of the Kingdom. It is a big achievement, though, but there are some other regions which also stand in need for its branches. In the meantime, the existing branches are called upon to submit the details of their activities during the preceding period. We'd also like to know the extent of coordination between the Society and the media services, as well as the type and size of technical cooperation that existed in the part and is likely to take shape in the future. All these matters interest us because every positive and meaningful cultural activity provides a source of healthy recreation which all of us long for without interruption.

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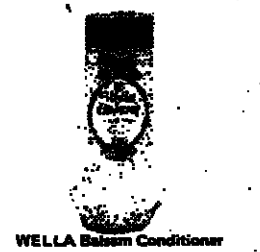
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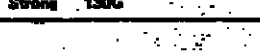
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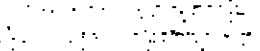
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Siad Barre's emergency laid to political failure

NAIROBI, Kenya, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Recent moves by Somali President Gen. Muhammad Siad Barre to re-establish military control over his government are seen by diplomatic observers here as an acknowledgment of failure on his part. From one standpoint the failure is political. Last year his regime tried to bring in some democratic procedures, promulgating a constitution in January, holding a referendum on it in August, and holding legislative elections in December.

The legislative assembly sat for the first time at the beginning of this year. But under a decree issued by Siad Barre on Oct. 25, the Supreme Revolutionary Council of 17 military officers that took power in 1969 was revived and the legislative assembly now falls under its control.

The council's mission, the decree said, is to combat sabotage, tribalism and rumors, which Siad Barre had mentioned in proclaiming a state of emergency four days earlier.

The reactivation of the council, which had been dissolved in 1976 when the Somali Revolutionary Socialist Party was created, is also seen here as an admission of failure in the military field. Since their defeat in 1978 at the hands of Cuban-assisted Ethiopian forces in Ethiopia's Ogaden, the Somalis have been unable to regain the offensive in the region, which they claim as part of the "greater Somalia" they envisage in the Horn of Africa.

Fighters of the Western Somali Liberation Front, aided by Somalia, continue their activity against the Ethiopians in the Ogaden. But the Ethiopian army and its Cuban allies hold all the region's cities and strategic points. The most recent Somali actions, in September and October, ended with more than 500 dead and 500 wounded on the Somali side, by Ethiopian count.

The Somali army seems to have been successful only in air defense, limiting the effectiveness of Ethiopian air raids into Somalia.

Meantime, Addis Ababa for the last year has been supporting a guerrilla group called the Somali Salvation Front, which claims in broadcasts from its clandestine radio to have "liberated" certain districts of Somalia.

The Ogaden conflict has had the effect of driving refugees across the border into Somalia, where there are now 850,000 of them.

Basically, the Somali-speaking nomads of the arid region have evacuated their women and children to Somalia while continuing the guerrilla war.

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees is providing food and shelter for the refugees, but their effect on Somalia is substantial nonetheless. They represent a 25 per cent increase in the population of the country, which already ranks very low in the world in gross national product per capita, at about \$150.

The Gulf war has added to Somalia's economic problems, cutting off oil from Iraq, which was the country's sole supplier. Now, Somalia with cars may spend an entire day waiting in line for fuel at a service station. In these difficult circumstances, the Somali regime has realized that it lacks foreign friends.

While neighboring Ethiopia and Djibouti receive significant support from their allies — in the form of Cuban and French troops, respectively — Somalia has only managed to conclude an apparently limited military pact with the United States.

Under this agreement, U.S. forces will be allowed to use the naval and air base at Berbera, on the Gulf of Aden. Somalia will get a credit of \$40 million to buy weaponry and \$17 million in non-military aid.

But Washington has been very reluctant so far to commit itself to supporting Somalia in the Horn of Africa, and has insisted that the arms going to Somalia will not be suitable for use in the Ogaden.

Limited as it is, the agreement has still chilled Somalia's relations with the rest of the Arab League. Only Egypt, itself in a growing military relationship with the United States, appears to have decided to stand by Somalia in its difficulties.

The day after Siad Barre's decree, the Somali Armed Forces Chief of Staff, Gen. Omar Haj Muhammad visited Cairo and discussed increased military cooperation with Egyptian Defense Minister Ahmad Badawi.



President Siad Barre

Egypt watching borders with Libya closely

CAIRO, Nov. 11 (Agencies) — Gen. Muhammad Abu Ghazala, chief of staff of Egypt's armed forces, reaffirmed that borders with Libya are being closely watched "to keep (Libyan leader) Qaddafi from any adventuring."

The daily *Al-Ahram* Tuesday quoted him as saying that the "large number of mercenaries (Soviet, Cuban, and East German) in Libya is a source of concern to Egypt."

During a recent visit to Britain, Abu Ghazala warned officials of the danger of the situation. He stressed the need for "European nations to work to supply Mideast countries — and first Egypt — with means to assure their defense and security against any Soviet intervention in the region."

Abu Ghazala also said that an advance party of a U.S. paratroopers unit has arrived at an Egyptian airbase west of Cairo for joint training with Egyptian forces. Quoted by *Al-Ahram*, Abu Ghazala said the arrival of the rest of the American unit would be completed by Thursday.

Sadat launches new Islamic league

CAIRO, Nov. 11 (R) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, boycotted by the Muslim world for making peace with Israel, has launched a new pan-Islamic league but appeared to have the backing of only Sudan and some Afghan emigres.

Called the League of Islamic and Arab Peoples, the organization is in the building

occupied by the Arab League before it expelled Egypt and moved its base to Tunis.

At the first sitting of the league's constituent assembly, Sadat Monday denied he had set up the organization as a rival to other pan-Islamic bodies or as a forum to hit back at his Arab critics. "This is not to be a new battlefield," he said.

Indian minister confers with Arafat

BEIRUT, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Visiting Indian Foreign Minister Narasimha Rao Monday met Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat for talks on the Middle East situation and the Iran-Iraq war, the Palestine news agency Wafa reported.

The two men, meeting here, also con-

sidered the progress of the nonaligned movement's "good offices committee" meeting in Belgrade to try to resolve the Gulf conflict, and discussed details of the next meeting scheduled to be held in New Delhi.

After the meeting Arafat gave Rao messages for Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and President Sanjiva Reddy.

S. Lebanon combatants okay truce

BEIRUT, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Battling Palestinian-leftist and right wing forces in southern Lebanon have agreed on a truce over the Shiite Ashura festival which lasts until Nov. 18, correspondents reported from the region.

They said Bishop Georges Haddad of Tyre obtained a promise from renegade Lebanese

Army Maj. Saad Haddad that his militia would cease hostilities if the other side did the same.

Shiite Muslim authorities in southern Lebanon had appealed for the ceasefire so that the Shiite community could celebrate the Ashura festival, on the final day of which a major ceremony will take place in Nabatieh.

Meanwhile, Israeli planes flew over the southern city of Sidon at low altitude Monday according to reports received here.

Palestinian anti-aircraft batteries in the city opened fire on the planes but there were no indications that any of them were hit.

BRIEFS

ANKARA, (AFP) — Nine soldiers have been arrested following the death of Ilhan Erdost, a left-wing publisher who was struck with a rifle butt while being taken to the Mamak military prison on Saturday, the Turkish emergency command said here Tuesday.

TEL AVIV, (R) — The Jewish population of the Israeli-occupied West Bank has risen by over five hundred per cent in the three and a half years since Prime Minister Menachem Begin's government took office. A report produced this week by the director-general of the prime minister's office revealed that 17,400 Jews now live on the West Bank compared to 3,200 in May 1977.

BEIRUT, (AFP) — The Armenian Secret Liberation Army and the Turkish Kurdish Workers' Party Tuesday claimed responsibility for two bomb attacks Monday night in Rome in which five persons were wounded.

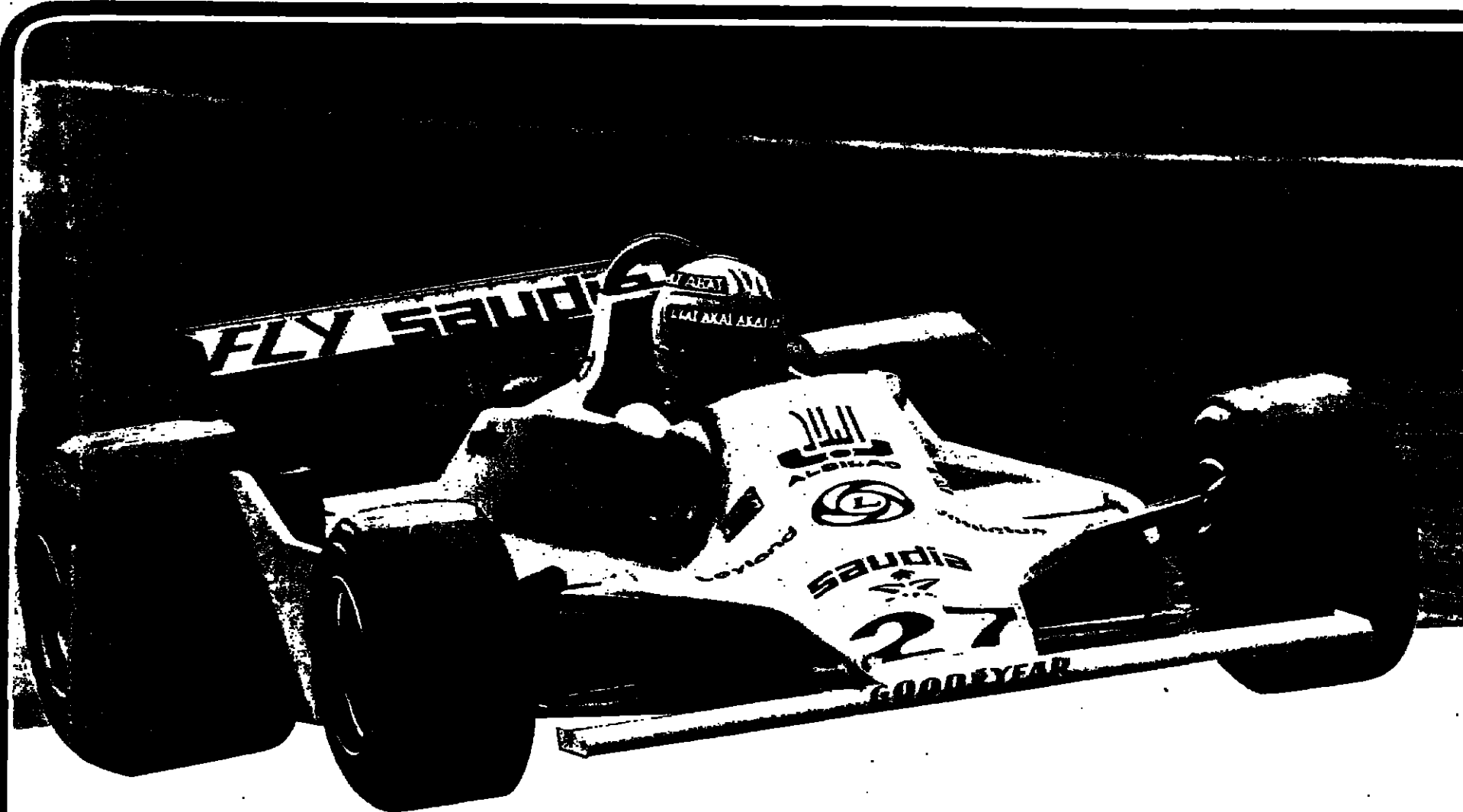


Mohammed Mzali

Bourguiba to pardon ten labor unionists

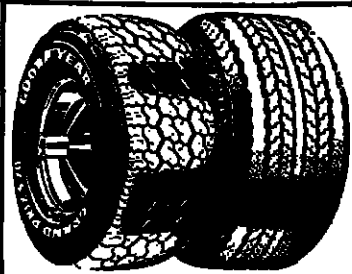
TUNIS, Nov. 11 (AFP) — President Habib Bourguiba is to pardon 10 trade unionists convicted of charges arising from the general strike and riots of January 1978, Prime Minister Muhammad Mzali has announced here after a meeting with Bourguiba.

The 10, already paroled by Bourguiba, are former leaders of the Union Generale des Travailleurs de Tunisie (UGTT), Tunisia's trade union organization, which called the general strike. They are also members of the joint commission set up to prepare the next UGTT congress, scheduled for early next year.



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Seen at last as people

Dimbleby looks at Palestinians from inside

Jonathan Dimbleby
The Palestinians: Quartet Books, £12.50

by Gregory Llewellyn

Most books in English about the Palestine question — and we know how many there are — treat impersonally the people most centrally involved in that thorny subject, the Palestinians themselves.

Attitudes range from Olympian disdain to

does it mean, for a Palestinian, to be a Palestinian? Can a stockbroker in Sheen or an engineer in Tulsa begin to understand who these people are, what they feel, or where they are going? There is something irreversibly "other" about the Palestinians which makes it impossible for the Western book-reader to empathize with them. Or so it would seem.

Attempts have been made at various levels to present the Palestinian dilemma both sympathetically and fairly to an English reader. Authors like Edward Said and Fouzi El Asmar speak from personal involvement; others like W. Thomas Malison and David Hirst write at a greater remove, but knowledgeably and analytically. It is not their kind of reportage which Jonathan Dimbleby has essayed in *The Palestinians* but more an attempt to explore the issues involved in the Arab-Israeli conflict from the interior of the Palestinian community, to see subjectively the dilemma from their vantage point, and to write about their despair and rekindled hope in the white heat of commitment.

Dimbleby comes by his polemical gifts with strong family credentials: his father was himself a TV commentator of renown, Richard Dimbleby, both of whose sons, David and Jonathan, carved out careers for themselves in British television. Jonathan won the Richard Dimbleby Award in 1973 for "outstanding contribution to factual television." His reports on such countries as Cyprus, India, Bangladesh, and Chile have elicited praise for his compassionate style and perceptive analysis. In 1978, after the debacle of the Lebanese civil war had officially terminated, Dimbleby turned his attention to the Palestinians.

His analysis is greatly enhanced by the superb photography of David McCullen whose portraits of the famous and the not-so-famous, scattered throughout the text, stand like black-and-white sentinels along a road of pride, pathos, and pain. One wonders how he managed to snap everything, or nearly everything, although some photographs — those, for example, in the historical portfolio between chapters two and three are attributed to different sources — are not McCullen's. I thought that the shots taken in the Karantina after its fall to Christian Rightists during the troubles in Lebanon were the work of a French photographer, but there is no attribution to identify them as such. None of this, however, detracts from the sheer pro-

fessionalism of what is certainly McCullen's work or its almost classical poignancy.

Structurally Dimbleby's book is divided into 14 chapters organized more or less chronologically. The weight (and the flavor) of his work is carried by personal interviews in which the principals — Palestinians drawn from all classes and of varying temperaments — are allowed to speak for themselves. This is not to say that Dimbleby does not editorialize. Far from it: he castigates cynical America and perfidious Albion with the sort of invective one normally hears from native-born apologists. But he succeeds, in my opinion, in letting the personalities of his interlocutors come through. You see him, these peasants and poets, see them, hear them, almost touch them, and not everyone will like what is here; they emerge, these Palestinian spokesmen, as approximations of flesh-and-blood, neither the columned ciphers of UNRWA statistics nor the sly little Satan of so much pulp and celluloid fantasy. They are people, with all the variety and internal combustibility which any group of people possesses.



GENERATIONS: a "problem" that won't fade away

To illustrate this thesis, self-evident to the most obtuse expatriate observer but baldly ignored for so long by ostrich-like academics and self-serving politicians in the West, is probably Dimbleby's most valuable service. He cannot, nor does he aim to, record the volumes of Palestinian history as punctiliously as a man like Walid Al-Khalidi, whose help he acknowledged in the credits. "This is a reporter's book," Dimbleby says in his

introduction. "It does not argue a case, nor does it propose a solution. It merely attempts to give an account of their 'problem' as it is perceived and experienced by the Palestinian people."

Merely to attempt any such thing is a tall order but one in which Dimbleby achieves no small measure of success.

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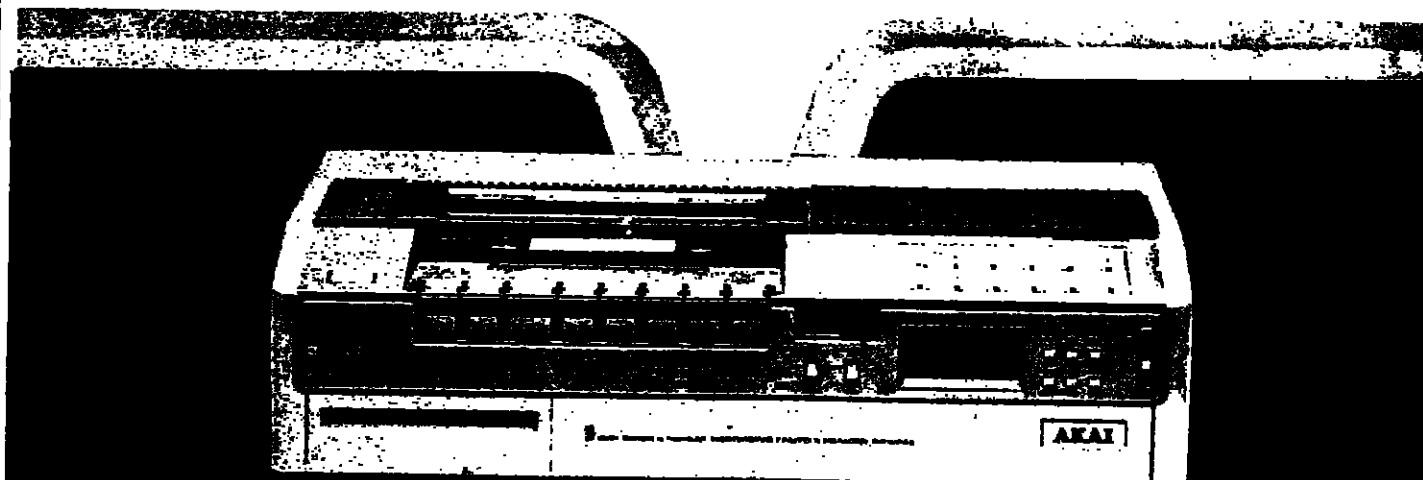
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Republican administrations in Washington have an especially noteworthy history in their dealings with the Middle East. In the mid-fifties, under the Eisenhower administration, the United States was instrumental in scuttling the Anglo-French attempt to reimpose their sway on the Suez Canal, and thence over Egypt and the Middle East in general. On one hand, that action looked statesmanly. International justice asserted itself against the culprits of the "Suez conspiracy." The United States was not going to tolerate such blatant aggression from the erstwhile imperialist powers.

But, on the other, there was talk, soon to be vindicated, that the underlying motive was less than pure. It was a product of a deal with the Kremlin, in which the two superpowers agreed on sealing the fate of French and British influence in the Middle East, leaving it an open field for themselves alone. The United States, having secured this aim, soon formalized its intention in a new doctrine: that of "filling the gap" left by the older powers.

From then to 1973 when, at the time of Nixon's presidency, the United States intervened directly in the war between Israel and Egypt, establishing the airlift through which Israel's collapsing military machine was saved in the last minute.

That process reached the stage we have now. But with it, and under Kissinger's guiding hand, two other, bloodier, games were played. One ensured the devastation of Lebanon, and the other, of Cyprus. Both these tragedies are still with us; and their architect, Kissinger, is now back in circulation.

It is too early to say whether he will be placed in a position which enables him to reap his grisly skills to the problem-areas of the world — especially the Middle East.



The army that frightens Russia (I)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In three articles, Jonathan Mirsky and Brigadier 'X', a serving NATO officer examine the strengths and weaknesses of the biggest armed force in the world—the 3,500,000-strong People's Liberation Army of China. The first article looks at the impact of Maoist dogma on the PLA, the second at its technological weaknesses, and the third at a future Sino-Soviet war.)

By Jonathan Mirsky

LONDON —

Chinese military thinking is undergoing a convulsion. Mao Tse-tung's "People's War" is disappearing into the past. In its place new ideas are emerging that are the result both of Mao's eclipse as teacher and leader, and of technological developments, particularly in the nuclear and electronics field.

Symbols of China's changed attitude are a newly tested intercontinental ballistic missile, capable of hitting almost any Soviet city, and the "Hard-bone" infantry company guarding a mountain pass 100 miles north of Peking against Russian invasion. Both would be hard to fit into Mao's guerrilla war doctrines.

Mao was convinced that "War is politics with bloodshed". He believed ordinary peasants, motivated by the prospect of a juster life and galvanized by the Communist Party, could overcome a conventionally superior enemy. But People's War is no answer to the hundreds of thousands of superbly equipped Soviet troops who stand behind the 6,000-mile common frontier in the north.

The great question hanging over Peking's leaders who control the army, and the generals who run it, is whether Russia's tanks would turn tail before China's

infantrymen. Few Peking defense analysts, even the survivors of the Long March, would rely on that. They believe defense should be moved up in the Four Modernizations, from behind agriculture, industry and science. Indeed the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies estimates the Chinese are already allocating the annual equivalent of \$50 billion to defense.

Some famed guerrilla leaders, among them Deng Xiaoping, are now convinced that only a large force of long-range nuclear missiles will make Moscow sufficiently weak at the knees to keep its army — and ultimately its ICBMs — at home. The new philosophy is not universal, however. Recently, a senior army commander, Nie Fengzhi, addressed the forces in Nanjing. Soldiers, the commander insisted, must remember that "to foster a revolutionary outlook on life we must assume the correct attitude toward hardship, happiness, life, death, honor, progress, love and marriage".

The People's Liberation Army came into existence 53 years ago when Mao Tse-tung and his comrades were in the wilderness, beset by Chiang Kai-shek, who regarded them as seditious, Russian-directed bandits. From those endangered beginnings came the Long March of 1935, the mobilization of millions of peasants, and the ultimate Communist triumph of 1949.

During the tumult of the Cultural Revolution between 1966 and 1976, China's forces remained inviolate and even Mao, who had triggered the great upheavals, had to summon his soldiers yet again to restore national stability.

No wonder, then, that "spiritual values" are a military war cry in China — a long way from the

Western debate about the nuclear minima needed to deter the Russians, with political leaders assuring each other that if and when the time comes their fingers will not tremble on the button.

As late as 1976, when Deng had just emerged from his second humiliation, the now replaced deputy chief of the general staff said of a possible Russian invasion: "The enemy will have to move in columns. The aggressors will be drowned in the sea of the people's war."

When it was suggested to him that the Soviets might instead launch an armada of missiles and jet bombers against his country's industry, China's deputy chief of staff replied: "There's a saying: you fight in your way, we fight in ours."

But on Jan. 16 of this year, Deng poured down the drain the myth of an invincible guerrilla army — in which he had served with distinction. "In the past," he said, "The army was a matter on millet plus rifles, and you could go into battle if you knew how to fire your gun, use your bayonet, and throw a grenade." Nothing here about honor, love, happiness, or spiritual strength. Deng is not romantic. He then went on to hammer home the need of the armed services for specialized technical knowledge, particularly in the air force and navy.

"Friends, but not allies," were the words chosen by US Defense Secretary Harold Brown to describe America's new relationship with China. But will the new president in Washington, center of enmity to Peking for more than two decades, be keen to provide the expertise and equipment necessary to defend China from an attack the Russians might shrink from launching against the West? — (OFNS) (To be continued tomorrow)

Drugs crisis threatens Karamoja

By Alastair Matheson

KOTIDO, Uganda — The people of Karamoja, at least those who have survived the ravages of this year's drought and the continued raiding by armed bandits, are now receiving enough food from relief agencies, but some are still dying from a complete lack of medicines.

Even simple drugs are so scarce that a single anti-malaria pill costs \$7. Yet five packs of quinine will buy a sub-machine gun. The consensus among relief workers here is that it will be many months before the crisis ends. At least 300,000 Karamojong will need imported food to survive until the next harvest, some six months away.

"At the moment the situation seems a little more stabilized," says the special representative from the United Nations Children's Fund, Dr. Karl Knustson. "The harvest, although it was small, has provided a breathing space. The belated, and now more efficient, relief operation has helped and we have to remember the cynical fact that many of the children below five, the elderly and the sick have been cruelly wiped out."

Several relief agency workers are concerned that many aid donors believe the huge assistance already given has solved the problem. They are critical of some organizations which brought in aid to north-east Uganda in a manner similar to a military operation, but stayed only a few weeks, giving the impression as they left that everything was back to normal.

Apart from the ever-present danger of attack by armed raiders, few Karamojong drought victims are in camps, but are scattered beyond the reach of the almost nonexistent road transport. It is almost impossible to distribute badly needed drugs, and Knustson reports seeing no medicine of any kind in any of the hospitals visited on his survey.

The chief threat to security is the number of sophisticated weapons in the hands of tribesmen and the remnants of Idi Amin's army. Cattle are vital to the existence of the Karamojong. It is estimated that they owned a million cattle a year ago, and that the herd has shrunk to half that number now. Most are in the hands of a few "cattle barons" and between 80 and 90 per cent of the population have no access to milk, their staple diet.

Some 20,000 guns and two million rounds of ammunition were stolen last year from the armoury at Moroto near here by soldiers of Amin's army. Since then many of the weapons have been exchanged with the Karamojong for food or cattle, and large, well-armed gangs are operating at will, terrorizing the countryside and raiding across the border into Kenya.

Recently a large gang raided a Turkana village in Kenya and a Norwegian water drilling team barely escaped death. Although units of the Uganda People's Militia have been stationed in the area, it appears they have done little to check the deteriorating security, and the authorities in Kampala appear powerless to restore order. — (OFNS)

The Red Menace fever hits Americans

By Michael Shea

WASHINGTON —

Like a cyclically recurring medieval plague, the Red Menace has returned to infect a new generation of Americans. The symptoms include rapid heating of the blood, myopic or tunnel vision, and serious impairment of mental faculties. Prior infection does not seem to offer immunity, as it does with many other diseases. In fact, the debilitating symptoms often seem most pronounced in Americans previously exposed during earlier outbreaks, in the 1950s and 1960s. There is even evidence that those previously exposed may, in fact, be carriers.

Some recent occurrences serve to demonstrate the bizarre side effects that this particularly virulent strain of Red Menace (also known as the Afghan flu) has had on the U.S. populace, and on American leaders as well.

The U.S. government's recently adopted policy toward Cuban refugees is symptomatic of the disease's disorienting effects. Amid much fanfare and repeated allusions to the Statue of Liberty, the U.S. threw open its borders to tens of thousands seeking to escape Fidel Castro's Cuba. Americans' brains boiling with Red Menace fever, Americans told themselves and the world that this mass exodus is proof of the failure of Castro's government. The possibility that the U.S. economic blockade may be a major cause of Cuba's economic difficulties is, of course, not a consideration.

These freedom-loving Cubans, when asked why they left their homeland, talk about the difficulties they faced in acquiring jeans, television sets and tape recorders.

And as the U.S. throws open its arms to these seekers of liberty, refugees from El Salvador's bloody civil war, trying to illegally enter the U.S., die in the Southwestern desert. The fact is, an offer of open immigration would virtually empty most countries of the Third World — perhaps most countries on this planet. But helping Salvadorans, Haitians and others would do nothing to purge America's body politic of the Red Menace.

Another strange manifestation of the mental blackouts caused by the Red Menace is the curious case of Walter Polowchak, the 12-year-old immigrant who refuses to return to the Soviet Union with his parents. Walter explains that he likes his new friends and that he likes having a bike here in the United States. Arguments about parental authority, the primacy of the family in American life, and the belief that a 12-year-old is not mature enough to decide his fate, get as sympathetic a hearing as the shouts of an Iranian demonstrator.

It is startling to note that even among those who value "traditional" family authority (such as those who object to centers for battered wives and children as "intrusions" by the government into the family), young Walter's desire for freedom and a 10-speed bike is a cause celebre.

Conservatives who would rise in rebellion over a

court ruling that grants an American child the right to refuse to accompany his parents on a trip to Cincinnati applauded an Illinois court's determination that Walter can say "nyet" and kiss his parents goodbye. Such aberrational behavior can be explained only by the fact that those previously exposed to the disease often seem the most disoriented by the latest outbreak.

The recent strikes in Poland are yet another example of the epidemic's fantastic mind-clouding effects. All across America, right-wing sufferers of chronic cases of Red Menace fever were cheering the Polish workers in their fight for independent unions — while those same conservatives fight bitterly here at home to ensure that American farm, textile, paramedical and other workers never get that same right. In the delirium of their fever, they wake from their beds biding their own fear.

What is the prognosis? Will this latest outbreak of pestilence lead the U.S. once more to witch-hunts, war or something even worse? It may, but America can hope that the current maddening fever will break on or about election day.

After that, the patient will require months of peace and quiet and regular treatments of objective, non-nationalistic reporting and commentary from the news media. Perhaps most crucial as a cure is an occasional shot of courageous and insightful political leadership — in place of the sugarcoated militaristic demagoguery that is accelerating the growth of the disease, and poisoning America's health as a nation. (NYT)

Saudi Arabian Press Review

Al Medina Tuesday headlined Iraq's readiness for a drawn-out battle and Iran's adoption of the guerrilla method on the pattern of the Vietnamese war. In a lead story, *Okaz* quoted American sources as saying President-elect Ronald Reagan might try to create an alternative Palestinian movement which should be ready to cooperate with America. *Al Riyadh* ran as its lead story a statement by the Chinese ambassador to the Kingdom that Reagan would establish good relations of cooperation with Nationalist China. *Al Jazirah* gave prominence to a report by U.S. columnist Jack Anderson which said that Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi had contacts with the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) since he came to power in 1969.

Newspapers reported the proceedings of the weekly meeting of the Council of Ministers Monday under Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and head of the National Guard, to discuss, among other things, the industrial development in Jubail and Yanbu. In a front-page story, *Okaz* quoted Bangladesh President Zia-ur-Rahman, a member of the Jerusalem Committee, that the committee would meet in Morocco next month. *Al Riyadh* on its front page reported an American delegation's departure for Algiers with a reply from Washington to the Iranian conditions for the release of U.S. hostages. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's pledge to continue the war with Iran figured prominently in *Al Jazirah* which also highlighted Iranian efforts for

the release of its oil minister taken captive by the Iraqi forces.

Newspaper editorials dealt with a number of topics including the Arab and Islamic summit conferences, the Lebanese situation and Israeli Premier Begin's current visit to Washington. Some papers commented on the new Islamic century and urged Muslims to use the first year of the century for the holy war to liberate Jerusalem.

Dealing with the summit conference, *Al Yom* said in an editorial that the meeting of Islamic foreign ministers, which is scheduled to be held in Taif to prepare the agenda for the Mecca Islamic summit conference, faces a hard task in view of the problems in the Islamic world. The paper added that the meeting would have to define a frank stance, in order to be able to cope with the changing international political situation. After a change in the center of authority in the United States, the paper said, it has become necessary for Muslims to raise their voice clearly so that it could be heard by the new makers of political decisions in Washington. *Okaz* called upon the upcoming Arab summit conference in Amman to adopt a unified stance, discarding all differences that have kept the Arab and Islamic nation away from the main issue of the occupation of sacred lands by the Israeli authorities. The paper said that the Arab and Islamic nation would achieve victory only when it takes a unified attitude, and suffers a setback as a result of mutual

bickerings and the absence of a well-studied plan and strategy.

Al Bilad dealt with Begin's current visit to the U.S. and highlighted its significance immediately after Reagan's victory in the Presidential elections. The paper urged Arab states to play a positive role to influence the American Middle East policy. In order to achieve this objective, Arabs would have to move quickly before Begin influences the new U.S. Administration. It referred to the special nature of relations between the U.S. and Israel and warned the Arabs against the gravity of the Israeli role in the U.S. capital. At the same time, the paper urged the new U.S. Administration to have a thorough understanding of the basic and crucial issues of the Middle East.

Al Jazirah concerned itself with the situation in Lebanon, saying that the positive dialogue which had seemed to be a possible approach in the past has now been replaced with accusations and rocket and artillery fire. It hoped, however, that the situation would be brought under control and all concerned would come forward to re-build Lebanon under the official authority.

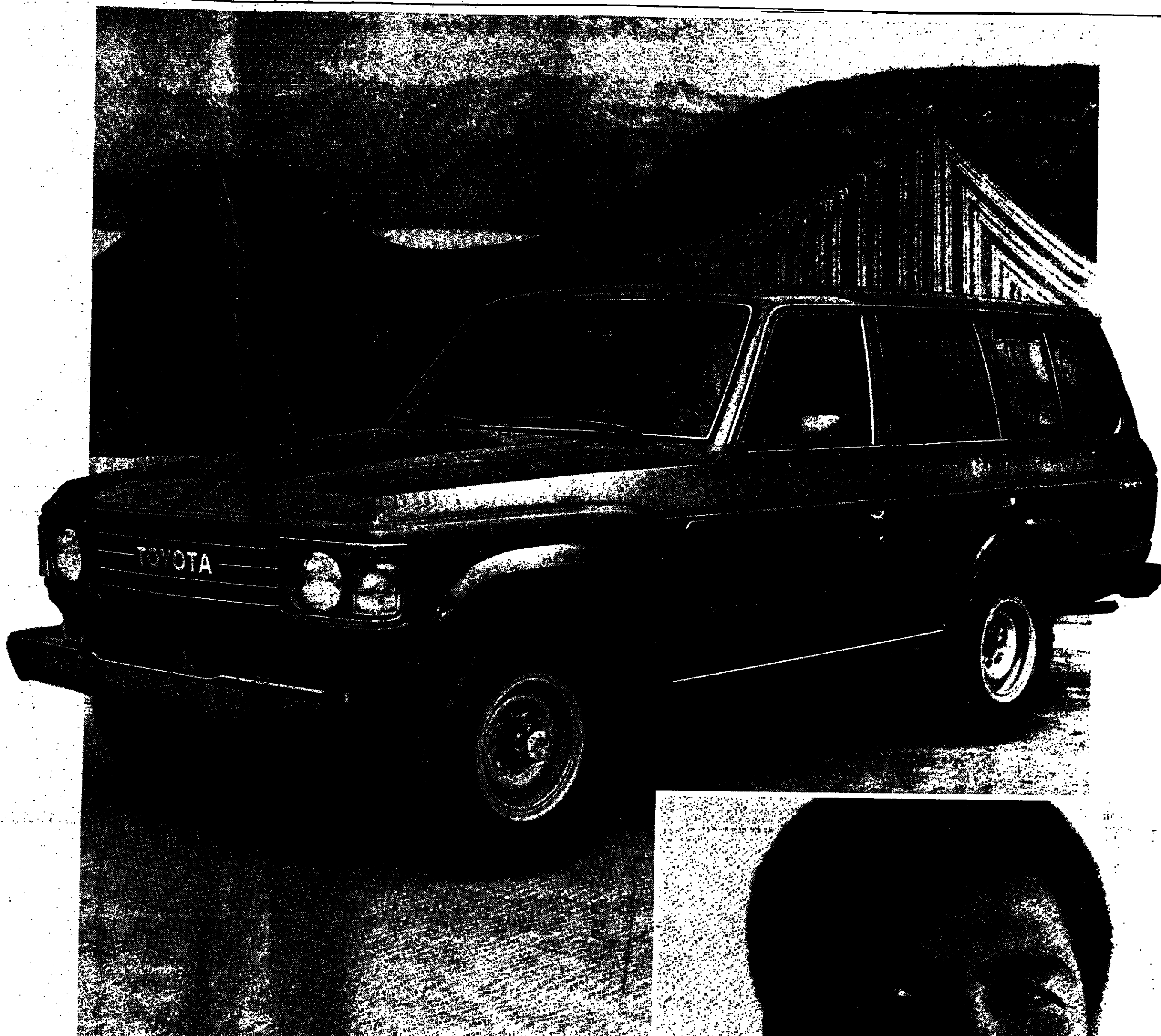
In an editorial, *Al Riyadh* exhorted Arabs and Muslims to take inspiration from the century of occupation and move forward toward a holy war for the sake of Jerusalem and Palestine. The paper said that the Kingdom's call for the holy war has brought

Arab and Muslim leaders before a grave responsibility toward the nation's unity and solidarity.

Al Medina referred to the report Interior Minister Prince Naif recently submitted to King Khaled.

It said that peace and security prevailing in the Kingdom is, first of all, a blessing of God and secondly, the fruit of the Kingdom's strict adherence to the divine laws and their application in all dealings.





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Kenya imposes curfew after weekend violence

NAIROBI, Nov. 11 (AFP) — The Kenyan government has expressed its determination to stamp out a resurgence of activity by Shifas (armed ethnic Somalis) following the weekend murder of six people, including four civil servants, in the country's northeastern province near the border with Somalia.

"I can tell you that the government this time is determined to settle this internal problem once and for all," G.G. Kariuki, minister of state at the president's office, said. Anyone defying a 12-hour overnight curfew imposed Monday would be considered "a Shifas and therefore risked being shot," he said.

Kariuki said the Kenyan government saw the problems as internal even though "some

agitators from Somalia" were involved. He said that it had brought the activities of development committees in the arid north-east of the country to a halt.

The Shifas, a major problem in the sixties when Somalia backed the activities of ethnic Somalis seeking secession from Kenya, have been blamed for the murder of seven people in the northeast in less than two weeks.

On Sunday, four people, two of them civil servants, were shot when an armed group raided the town of Rura Karasi, in the province of Garissa. Two more civil servants later died of injuries received during the attack. Last week, attackers, thought to have been Shifas, shot dead a district officer.

5 hurt in blasts at Swiss offices

ROME, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Five people were injured in explosions at the Swiss airline office and the Swiss tourist bureau in central Rome Monday — and a man who said he represented the "Third of October Group" later claimed responsibility for both attacks.

Police said two of those hurt in the Swissair blast had been hospitalized but were not in serious condition. Two passers-by and a carabinieri policeman were grazed by flying glass at the other site. The Swissair office was

leveled.

The action was aimed against "Swiss and Italian Fascism," a telephone caller claimed in calls to two news agencies. "The Third of October Group assumes responsibility for destroying the Swissair (Swiss national airline) and Swiss tourism offices. We are sorry about the innocent victims. It was a warning against Swiss and Italian Fascism," he said in English, adding: "You will be hearing a lot more about us."

Bribery trial of Rossi, others, resumes in Rome

ROME, Nov. 11 (R) — The criminal trial resumed Monday of 35 soccer personalities, including world star Paolo Rossi, and three illegal bookmakers accused of conspiracy to defraud in the betting scandal which rocked Italy earlier this year.

Rossi, banned from soccer for two years by

the football federation for his part in the scandal, was one of 20 players absent at the resumed hearing, which was suspended soon after it began last June because of a magistrates' strike. Among those accused are ex-president of Milan A.C. Felice Colombo and ex-manager of Bologna Marino Perani.

Madrid meet in death throes

MADRID, Nov. 11 (AFP) — The second follow-up Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) already had one foot in the grave before its opening Tuesday.

That was the opinion of most delegates at the nine-week preparatory conference which suspended at 4:20 a.m. after failing to agree on the agenda for the main conference.

Western and Communist delegates have been deadlocked over the agenda since the preparatory meeting started. The Western European, American and Canadian governments insist that there should be an unlimited review at the conference on how well the 1975 Helsinki agreements on human rights, security and cooperation have been respected.

But the Communists fear propaganda exploitation of civil rights restrictions in their countries. So they insist the review should be brief and the conference be devoted mainly to new proposals including disarmament.

The deadlocked preparatory meeting was supposed to end at midnight. To keep alive hopes of reaching agreement, the clocks in the conference building were stopped at 11:59 p.m. They still showed that time the meeting resumed at 1000 GMT Tuesday in a final attempt to agree on the agenda.

As the pale, bleary-eyed delegates left for a few hours of sleep, Max Kampelman, co-chairman of the U.S. delegation, "admitted that the outlook was dim. The Soviet delegates left the hall with clenched teeth, refusing to answer questions by newsmen."

The Americans insist that the Helsinki follow-up conference open as scheduled Tuesday morning, and that the place for the next follow-up conference be decided on immediately and a date be set for it to convene in two or three years. Then the conference should be closed to end its agony immediately, some exasperated delegates



Sanz: Compromise bid fails

said Monday night.

A last minute attempt to save the conference was made at the request of Spanish Premier Adolfo Suarez. He had Foreign Minister Jose Perez-Llorca hold an emergency discussion with the heads of the Soviet and U.S. delegations that failed to break their deadlock.

Failure to agree on an agenda might dash hopes spurred at Helsinki in 1975 for East-West détente and liberalization in Eastern European countries.

Sir Robert, 101, weds

LONDON, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Sir Robert Mayer, the 101-year-old founder of the Youth and Music concerts for young people, has married a longstanding friend, Jacqueline Noble, 51, it was learned here Tuesday. The wedding took place Monday. Sir Robert had been a widower for six years.

Australian book hearing names offending chapter

CANBERRA, Nov. 11 (AFP) — The Australian government Tuesday sought a permanent ban in the high court on two newspapers and in doing so singled out the most sensitive part of a book dealing with confidential government defense and foreign policy documents.

Extracts from the book appeared in early editions of the Sydney Morning Herald and Melbourne Age on Saturday and resulted in an interim injunction forcing the newspapers to stop both presses and remove the offending material.

The government has also been granted an interim injunction against the book, *Deeds - men on Australian Defense and Foreign Policy 1968-75* by journalists Richard Walsh and George Munster. The book was to have been released this week.

On Saturday, the two newspapers published details of diplomatic cables about the Australian alliance with the United States and the presence of American defense bases on Australian soil. But in the high court Tuesday, it was revealed that the government was most sensitive about chapter six in the book called "East Timor from Beginning to End," which covers the Indonesian takeover of the former Portuguese colony. The chapter contains a series of top secret cables from the Australian Embassy in Jakarta to the foreign affairs department in Canberra.

Foreign Affairs Department Secretary Peter Henderson told the court that publication of that chapter and proposed excerpts of it in the two newspapers would damage Australia's interests rather than merely embarrass the country.

He said Australia's capacity to deal effectively and diplomatically with Indonesia could be considerably reduced by the publication of the cables.

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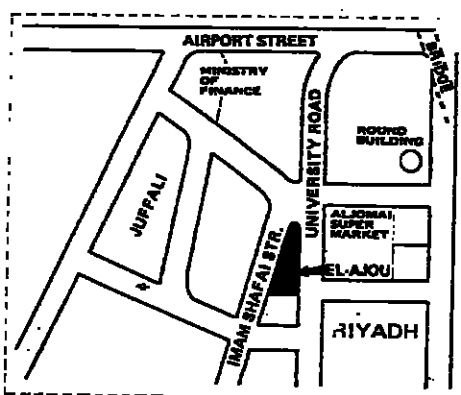
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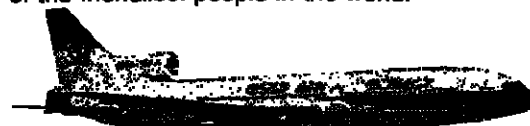
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Burmese buy soap with precious gems

RANGOON, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Sapphires, rubies and jade of matchless quality are being smuggled out of Burma to pay for goods from soap to car parts.

But the huge illicit market is gray, not black — a crucial, officially condoned, adjunct to the prime economy in this isolated, socialist nation of 33 million people. In come everyday items like soap, toothbrushes and underwear as well as canned foods and bottled drinks. Out go rubber, silver, teak and tin in addition to Buddhist art treasures and sacks of the uncut precious and semi-precious stones, their quality unmatched anywhere in the world.

The market — variously termed free, shadow or unofficial — is estimated to handle more volume than its legitimate counterpart, and smugglers are said to "import" and "export" more than the official foreign trade.

It is also believed to be the country's fastest-growing sector. The commerce thrives because cash-poor Burma, a staunch champion of self-reliance, is unprepared and unwilling to do the importing itself and because state-run cooperatives fail to meet the demand for even basic consumer goods.

While essential foodstuffs like rice and milk, plus limited selections of household goods, are available in the cooperative stores, virtually every Burmese who can afford the mark-up turns to the parallel market for better quality and variety.

Here in the capital and in Mandalay, the second city to the north, streetside stalls in bustling shadow markets feature bright-colored Thai cottons, German beer, Chinese thermos bottles, Japanese stereos and hundreds of other items.

The main source of finished products is neighboring Thailand, with which Burma

shares a 1,800-km border, parts of which are controlled by drug-running ethnic separatists.

The rebel hill tribesmen and the estimated 12,000 guerrillas of the banned Burmese Communist Party are deeply involved in the illicit trade, which also reaches across Burma's borders to China, India, Bangladesh and Laos.

In the opium-rich golden triangle where Burma, Laos and Thailand meet, much of the commerce centers on the poppies, which are used to produce No. 4 heroin, the most select variety.

The Communists, reportedly getting less aid from Peking than earlier, deal in drugs to fund their operations and buy arms, the only Communist Party known to do so. Burma has been fighting the rebels, including Shans, Mons and Karens, whose states about Thailand, since independence from Britain in 1948.

But the long, porous borders, lack of security and huge scale of the smuggling makes it virtually impossible to stop. Burma is also bounded by the Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea, plied by Chinese junks that ferry out raw materials to Singapore and Malaysia and smuggle modern appliances and luxury goods.

The fast-paced illicit trade contrasts sharply with most other aspects of what makes Burma one of the world's most secluded nations, strongly rooted in custom and traditions.

When President Ne Win took power in 1962, he introduced "the Burmese way to socialism," an austere blend of tight military control, neutrality in foreign affairs and socialist economics meant to erase the legacy of the colonial hold on resources.

World's largest aircraft

Goose emerges from hangar

LONG BEACH, California Nov. 11 (LAT) — Slowly, with the dignity of great age, Howard Hughes' 33-year-old *Spruce Goose* slipped smoothly out of its hangar and into the back channel of the port of Long Beach recently, the first time the world's largest aircraft had moved in more than a quarter century.

Two hundred workers who had been laboring around the dock to get the huge seaplane ready for the moving operation cheered and waved their handkerchiefs. Traffic was reduced to a crawl on a nearby bridge as motorists slowed to take a gander at the world-famous *Goose*.

The plane was tugged out of the partly dismantled hangar and into the channel on the first stage of its last journey. It eventually will be moved about a mile to a new museum hangar alongside the *Queen Mary*, now a floating resort hotel. There, for the first time, the *Spruce Goose* will be placed on public exhibition. It is scheduled to go on display

sometime next year.

The *Spruce Goose*, with a wingspan of 320 feet, had been hidden in the old hangar since 1954. It made its first and last flight Nov. 3, 1947, a low and slow skimming hop with the late billionaire Hughes at the controls. Constructed of wood, it originally was intended as a troop transport for World War II service. But the war ended before the enormous eight-engine, propeller-driven seaplane was completed.

The move required the partial dismantling of the old corrugated steel hangar, placing a steel cradle under the *Goose's* hull and then flooding the hangar's floor to a depth of 16 feet.

The plane emerged from the hangar about three hours behind schedule. Lloyd's of London had insured the plane for \$10 million during the risky moving operation. It cost an estimated \$18 million to build, but aviation buffs consider it to be priceless.

Reagan Republicans smile on disgraced Nixon



RE-EMERGING: Former President Richard Nixon, who resigned in disgrace six years ago, stands outside his New York apartment last week before voting in the U.S. elections. There is speculation he will play a part in the new Reagan administration.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (AFP) — The sweeping victory of Ronald Reagan and his fellow Republicans in last week's U.S. elections has begun to draw former President Richard Nixon out of the isolation into which he was thrust after his resignation under intense pressure in 1974.

The name of Nixon — which some Americans still cannot pronounce without either grimacing or laughing — was not even mentioned at the Republican party presidential convention in July in Detroit. But now his name is spoken more and more freely, and in a positive way, in the entourage of President-elect Reagan.

"I don't see any formal role for Nixon but in foreign relations he can be very useful because of his experience," said Reagan adviser Paul Laxalt, a Nevada senator who is expected to hold a high position in the new administration.

On Friday, Nixon was the uncontested star of a reception given here by Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin to mark the anniversary of the Russian Revolution. His unexpected presence was more even noticeable because the Carter administration — still protesting the Soviet presence in Afghanistan — had sent no ranking representative.

When the NBC Television network broadcast early in September a series of four interviews with Nixon on the election campaign, it felt obliged to explain to its

viewers that the former president's presence on the network was not intended to indicate any exoneration of his past errors.

Time, the American news weekly, took no such precautions when it published, in its last issue before the Nov. 4 elections, two pages of Nixon's reflections on the qualities required of a great president.

The swing of the pendulum that has returned the Republicans to power seems to have been provoked in part by the nostalgia of Americans for a time when their government knew how to talk to the Russians. For many Americans, Richard Nixon and his secretary of state, Henry Kissinger, remain the symbols of that bygone era.

That appears to be why Ronald Reagan frequently associated Kissinger with his election campaign — despite the fact that the former secretary of state originally had given his support to several of Reagan's Republican rivals for the nomination.

The return to grace of Richard Nixon among Republicans, however, is not solely the result of his prestige in international affairs. It is in part based on the growing conviction among many conservatives that, even if Nixon committed past abuses of power, he was also the victim of a liberal press guilty of excesses and abuses of its own.

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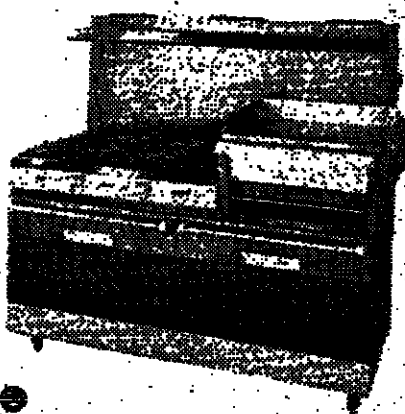
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Arabs, EEC review economics, politics

BRUSSELS, Belgium, Nov. 11 (AP) — Officials of the European Economic Community (EEC) and the Arab League open a two-day meeting in Luxembourg Thursday that, in the words of an EEC source, is the next round in the "ping-pong game between economics and politics."

The comment reflects the general skepticism among EEC officials anything tangible can come of the meeting that is part of the "Euro-Arab dialogue."

Began after the first oil crisis in the early 1970s, the dialogue has produced no results to date. It got mixed right from the start in a fundamental disagreement: The Arab side has always sought to use the dialogue to solicit maximum European political support for the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), while the EEC — being a largely economic union — is interested in economic cooperation only.

"The Euro-Arab dialogue has always been an ambiguous item," said one EEC source on the eve of the meeting. "It has always been a ping-pong game between economics and politics." Yet the meeting in Luxembourg is

Iraq, Iran cutoff of oil supply reflecting on U.S. next year

SAN FRANCISCO, California, Nov. 11 (AP) — An extended cutoff of oil exports from Iran and Iraq could mean a 1981 oil supply squeeze for the United States, oil executives and industry analysts attending the American Petroleum Institute's annual meeting have warned.

"If this war between Iraq and Iran continues to go on, we'll see some impact in the

significant for a number of reasons.

It is the first since the Arab League halted the dialogue in early 1979 following the Camp David agreement that sparked the expulsion of Egypt from the organization. The Arab League now includes 20 nations stretching across North Africa into the Middle East.

The Luxembourg meeting will be the first of political officials rather than top-ranking civil servants. The EEC group will be led by Paul Helminger, Luxembourg's secretary of state for foreign affairs. Said Dajani, member of the PLO executive committee, will lead the Arab League officials.

The PLO is the current president of the Arab League which, like the EEC, uses a system of rotating chairmanship. The meeting this week comes 5 months after the EEC head of state declared at their summit meeting in Venice the PLO must be "associated" with any Mideast peace talks.

This, it is suspected at EEC headquarters here, will motivate the Arab side to press even more strongly ahead with demands for greater political support by the 9 EEC states for the PLO.

supply and demand situation in six months to a year," said Jerry McAfee, chairman of Gulf oil corp.

"I think you can count on a series of disruptions," said Charles M. Kittrell, executive vice president of Phillips Petroleum Co. Iranian oil production plummeted from nearly 6 million barrels a day to about 1.5 million barrels daily during the country's revolution in late 1978 and early 1979.

ITC rejects limiting of car imports

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (APF) — The International Trade Commission (ITC) Tuesday rejected proposals for limiting car imports into the United States. In a three-to-two vote, the commission members refused to consider the growth of foreign car imports in the United States was the origin of the crisis now hitting American manufacturers.

Ford Motor Company and the United Autoworkers Union (UAW) had appealed for restrictions before the ITC, a U.S. agency.

The decision is "final and allows the manufacturers no possibility of appeal, an official source said."

British living standards must fall, Thatcher says

LONDON, Nov. 11 (AP) — Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, apparently unmoved by threats of strikes and big business appeals to moderate her economic policies, said bluntly Monday that British living standards must fall as the price of economic recovery. In an address to a mayoral banquet Mrs. Thatcher said she would not go back on her government's announcement last week of a 6 per cent pay raise limit for public sector workers — which has already sparked a worked slowdown by firemen.

"I have not declared war on the unions or their leaders," said Mrs. Thatcher, "but I am challenging their conclusion that the government can be the universal provider."

Mrs. Thatcher devoted most of her speech to a defense of the rigid monetarist policies of her 18-month-old administration, which she sees as Britain's only hope of curbing inflation and boosting long-term productivity.

Unemployment now stands at 2 million, a record since the 1930s depression, compared

U.S. retailers suffer slight drop in sales

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (AP) — U.S. retailers suffered a slight drop in sales last month, the U.S. government reported Monday, breaking a four-month rise and raising new questions about the economy's direction. The commerce department reported retail sales in October edged down 0.1 per cent after increasing a revised 1.5 per cent in September.

The slide, following a period of improvement which seemed to mark a reversal of the recession that began earlier this year, triggered concern about the impact of rising interest rates on recovery from the recession. "These figures indicate that rising interest rates are hurting retail sales," said Robert Gough, vice president of Data Resources Inc., an economic forecasting firm.

Economy's direction

U.S. retailers suffer slight drop in sales

The retail sales performance for October broke a four-month improvement that paralleled the nation's climb from a sharp, but seemingly short recession. That positive trend occurred as interest rates were working their way down from levels that reached 20 per cent last spring. In recent weeks, however, these rates have begun climbing again and the prime interest rate at most banks now

stands at 15.5 per cent. The prime interest rate is the rate which banks charge their best corporate customers for loans.

"October's figures show just how quickly the economy can be moved around by movements in interest rates," Gough commented.

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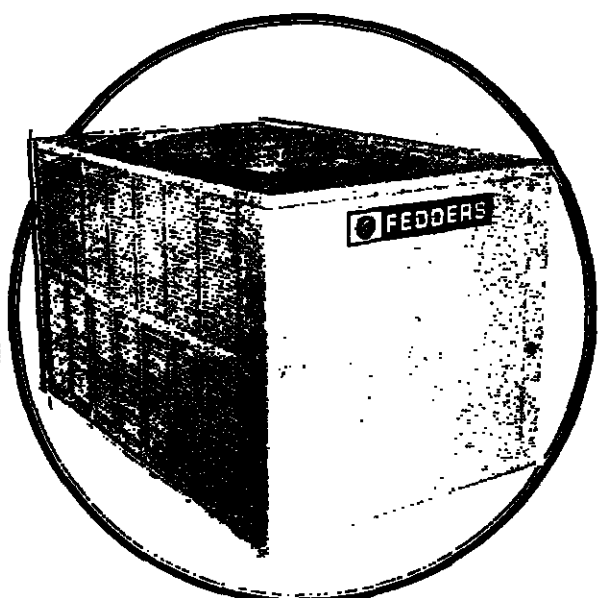
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BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, (AP) — Israel military exports have more than doubled the past year to \$1.25 billion, the *Maariv* newspaper reported Tuesday. The rise is due to an increase in contracts with countries which previously have not bought military equipment from Israel, deputy Defense Minister Mordecai Zippori told the newspaper.

LUXEMBOURG, (R) — Luxembourg Foreign Minister Gaston Thorn will resign his portfolio Nov. 20 to allow him to take up his next appointment as head of the European Common Market Commission, his party said Tuesday. Thorn's Democratic Party said the minister, who became commission president in January after 11 years of government ser-

vice, would be replaced by Mrs. Colette Flesch.

ABU DHABI, (R) — The Arab Monetary Fund announced Monday it had provided a loan of \$19 million to the Sudan to meet a balance of payments deficit. The official Emirates News Agency quoted the fund as saying the loan was for three years at 5.8 per cent interest.

MEXICO CITY, (R) — Mexico has signed contracts to sell 50,000 barrels of crude oil a day to Sweden, 30,000 to India and 7,000 to El Salvador, the state oil company Petroleos Mexicanos (Pemex) said. The contracts, which are effective from January one, were negotiated earlier this year, Pemex said. No details of prices were given.

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Bahraini Dinar	—	8.90	8.90
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Canadian Dollar	2.79	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	179.00	178.00	176.90
Dutch Guilder (100)	157.00	—	156.70
Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	89.00	90.25
French Franc (100)	73.00	77.00	76.80
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	75.00	—
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	42.90
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	9.50	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	36.00	37.00	37.60
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.50	—	15.80
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.08	11.04
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.34	12.34
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	94.25	94.25
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	88.50	85.50
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	8.00	8.10	7.78
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	91.50	91.50
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.58
Spanish Peso (1,000)	—	44.50	45.75
Swiss Franc (100)	189.00	195.50	195.50
Syrian Lira (100)	—	—	85.50
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	44.00	—
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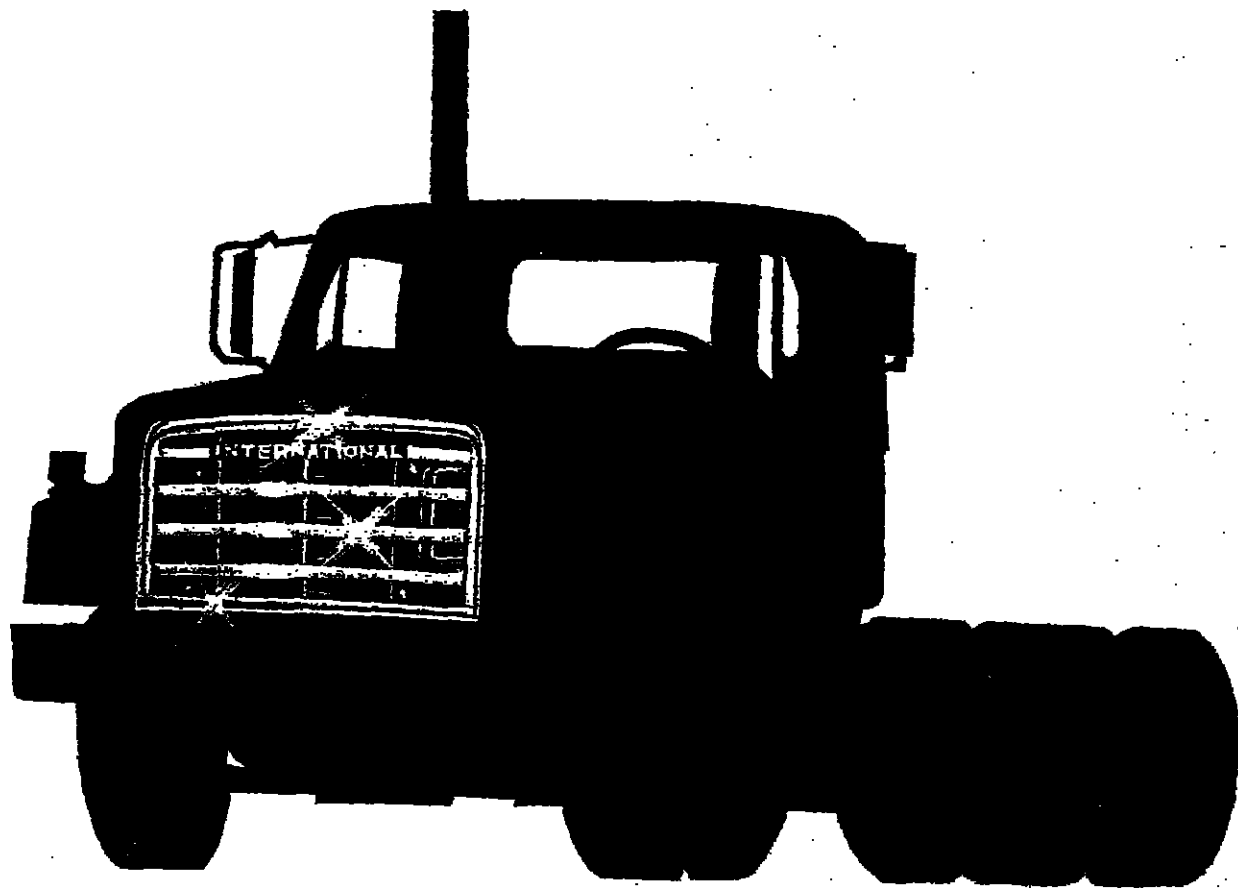
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McEnroe falls to Swede

Borg shines in Stockholm duel

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 11 (AP) — Bjorn Borg, playing his best tennis since Wimbledon, outdueled defending champion John McEnroe 6-3, 6-4 Monday night to avenge the bitter U.S. Open final loss to the American and win the \$175,000 Stockholm Open championships for the first time.

"It feels really great. You can't compare it with the major championships, but I wanted to win this badly after so many attempts," said Borg after the victory in the city where he spent most of his early career.

"And I'm so glad I beat John. It's a big victory every time you beat him because we don't play each other so often. It was probably my best match since Wimbledon and I'm happy I was able to do it here."

Borg finally came out talking to the press after refusing to attend four scheduled press conferences in his earlier matches of the tournament.

That cost him \$2,000 in fines under the Grand Prix rules, marking the first time Borg had been fined in his amazing career. Borg, of course, could afford it. He's one of the world's wealthiest athletes and picked up \$34,000 for his triumph here.

Borg, who has had a stormy relationship with the media in his native country earlier, was upset because the Swedish press criticized him for considering to play a later canceled exhibition match in South Africa against McEnroe.

McEnroe, winner here on a fast surface the two past years, made a brave effort. But he couldn't handle Borg, history's greatest defensive player, on the slow court considered as slow as clay by most players.

"I think clay is slower," Borg said. "But, of course, this one is slower than the older surface and it gave me an advantage over John."

"He couldn't play his usual serve and volley game. He had to stay on the baseline and wasn't able to come in as many times as he is used to."

Regarded as the finest fast surface player in the world, McEnroe has no impressive record on slow courts. He won the mixed-doubles title in the French Open with Mary Carillo in 1977. That's about all.

But the 21-year-old lefthander from Douglaston, N.Y., proved he has a bright future on the slow clay courts as he gave Borg a lot of trouble.

The final, watched by millions on television and a sellout crowd at the Royal Tennis Hall including King Carl Gustaf and a bunch of

I must learn to be consistent during a whole match," he added.

It was a sweet victory for Borg, who had not won a single tournament since his record fifth Wimbledon early July. And he failed seven previous times to win this tourney, the oldest indoor Grand Prix event in the world. But it didn't come easy for Borg, although it was the first straight-setter between the world's two top players this year.

After a shaky start from both players, Borg broke McEnroe's service in the fifth game for

love-40 to deuce in the next see-saw game. He fought back to deuce more, after saving a fourth set point, before Borg hit a sizzling return at the American's feet on his fifth set point.

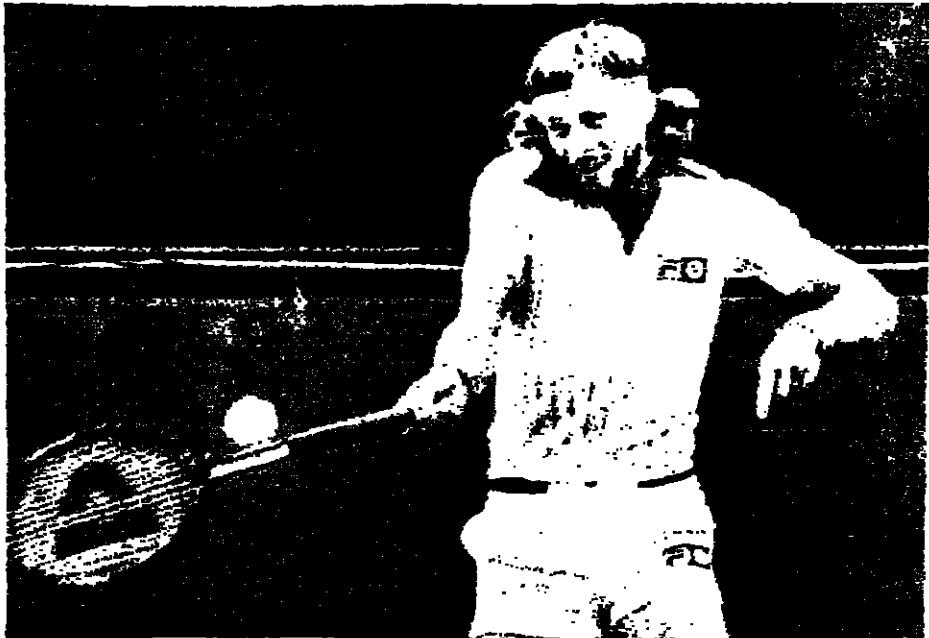
McEnroe broke immediately for a 1-0 lead in the second stanza. But the relentless Swede, hitting his top-spin ground strokes hard and deep, broke back in the sixth to level 3-3.

Borg won the last three games of the match, following the pattern of the first set. Trailing 5-4, Borg sent two crackling straight forehand passing shots to level.

Another straight forehand bullet past McEnroe brought him from break point to 40-all in the next game. The American then missed twice, giving Borg the edge for the first time in the second set.

The U.S. Open champ, needing to hold his service to stay alive in the match, won the first two points in the final game of the match. But Borg then took four straight points to wrap it up.

The victory gave Borg a 2-1 edge over McEnroe in championship finals this year — this is the only indoor championship recog-



AT THE BASELINE: Bjorn Borg played his usual, effective baseline game against John McEnroe Monday night, taking the Stockholm Open on a slow court which befuddled the American. It was the second tennis final win for Borg over McEnroe this year, with Borg winning at Wimbledon. McEnroe took the U.S. Open, though.

Cabinet ministers, lasted one hour and 45 minutes.

It never reached the heights of their memorable five-set finals earlier this year at Wimbledon — perhaps the greatest center-court final of them all — and the U.S. Open.

"It was some good tennis and some bad tennis. I have to learn to be a lot more patient on slow courts and mix hard and loose shots," said McEnroe.

"Now, I play like that for a few games only."

a 3-2 lead. It came after an exciting baseline rally — Borg won most of them — and a final forehand volley miss by the American.

Borg also served better than McEnroe, especially in the first set. Poor serving was one of the key factors why the Swede couldn't stay in the match during the fifth set of U.S. Open final.

After trading service breaks, Borg held to love for the second time in the opening set to go ahead 5-4.

Refusing to die, McEnroe came from

Greek Olympic site studied

ATHENS, Nov. 11 (AP) — A special committee is studying whether the Olympic Games should return to their ancient homeland — Olympia, Greece — to save them from what some call the destructive influence of political controversies.

President Constantine Caramanlis proposed in January that Greece be the permanent site for the Summer Olympics.

A special committee of the International Olympic Committee will meet here Nov. 26 to discuss the proposal, officials announced Saturday. The committee's report will be discussed at the 11th committee conference in

September 1981 in Baden-Baden, West Germany.

If the committee decides the games should return to Greece, it seems likely that they would be held here for the first time in 1992. The 1984 games will be played in Los Angeles and Nagoya, Japan, is expected to make a bid for the 1988 games during the Baden-Baden conference.

Several countries and the Council of Europe's parliamentary assembly have said they support the idea of having all summer Olympic Games held at Olympia in southern Greece.

Osella team stands by FISA

TURIN, Italy, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Enzo Osella of the Formula One Osella team said here Monday that Osella would race in next season's International Association of Automotive Sport's (FISA) world championship and that he was opposed to the alternate championship which the Formula One Con-

structors Association (FOCA) is trying to create.

In another development in the ongoing FISA-FOCA battle for control of Formula One sport, the Grand Prix Drivers' Association issued a statement this weekend in Paris which supported the safety measures FISA instituted the split with FOCA.

Kingdom's boys power past Japan

By Edward Thompson

BANGKOK, Nov. 11 — Saudi Arabia pulled off a sensational victory over Japan in a key final round match at the Asian youth basketball championships Monday and placed itself in a fighting position for the second runner-up slot in the tournament. The contest played at the Bangkok gymnasium saw the Kingdom's team rally to wind up with 107 points to Japan's 93.

It was indeed one of the most exciting contests witnessed in the final round and the whole stadium exploded at the end of the 40-minute battle as the jubilant Saudi Arabians made a victory-lap round the court.

The success was also sweet revenge for the defeat the Kingdom suffered last week at the hands of the team the "Land of the Rising Sun". Shortly before the match, coach James O'Murphy told Arab News: "We need an upset today to erase the two bad performances over the last weekend."

The Kingdom lost to Thailand 87-71 on Saturday and China 90-42 on Sunday. However, a determined team led by playmaker Masasadh Abu entered the court and what an exciting performance of attacking basketball they dished out.

Right from the word "go" they were on the ball, harassing and harrying the Japanese like terriers on the loose. Though the Japanese were in front in the first period of play, there was worry written all over their faces. They knew fully well that the fit Saudi Arabians would topple them. In the end it turned out to be so.

Backed by the brilliant rebounding of M. Abdul Salam, who scored 25, the midcourt play of Abdul Aziz Al Mualad and Ashari Abdul Aziz, they caused confusion in the Japanese defense, making them err time and again.

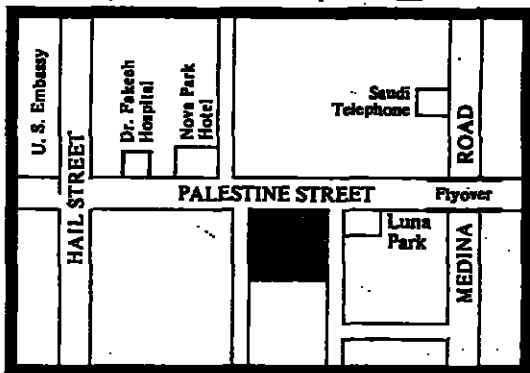
Scorers were: Adbu Salam (25), Ashari Abdul Aziz (21), Abdul Aziz Al Mualad (21), Assad Tadroni (12), Ma'adh Abu (20) and M. Alzaier (8). For Japan, Hoonam (15), Kimura (21), Kondo (18) and Karoh (11) scored the highest.

In the other matches played Monday, the Philippines beat Thailand 100-74 and China beat Kuwait 75-52.

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After 868 homers in 22 seasons

World's top slugger Oh calling it quits

TOKYO, Nov. 11 (LAT) — Sadaharu Oh, 40, a Chinese perfected a one-legged batting style to hit 868 home runs in 22 seasons and became a national idol in Japan, has announced his retirement as an active baseball player.

Oh, who only last June had talked about playing another two or three years in an attempt to reach 900 career homers, surprised and stunned baseball fans here by announcing his retirement to become a coach of the Yomiuri Giants, his team since 1959.

"I found I can no longer perform the Oh style of batting," said the man who perfected a Stan Musial-like flamingo stance to outdo both Babe Ruth (714) and Henry Aaron (755) in career home runs.

His last home run came on Oct. 12 in Tokyo's Korakuen Stadium where he had surpassed Aaron's home-run total in 1977. That last home run was his 30th of the season, enabling him to set yet another record — 19 consecutive seasons with 30 or more homers.

Age, nonetheless, had finally caught up with him. Although he played in 129 of the Giants' 130 games in a disappointing third place fin-

ish in 1980, Oh's timing clearly was no longer what it had once been. His batting average fell to .236, the worst since his first year with the Giants fresh out of high school in 1959.

Most humiliating of all, pitchers no longer feared him. He drew only 75 walks all season, the lowest for him since 1961 a marked contrast from his peak year in which he often drew more walks than he had hits. In 1974, he drew 166 walks, including 45 intentional passes, in 130 games. Both marks are records in Japan. He also set the records for the most walks in a single game — five on three occasions.

"I have always strived to seek self-improvement," Oh said last week. "But from the middle of the summer, it just didn't come any more."

He said he was retiring for his own sake as well as for the benefit of his team and the fans, whom he said he didn't want to disappoint.

Oh's retirement was the second shock to Giant fans in two weeks. On Oct. 21, Shigeo Nagashima, who had himself been an idol as a player, was forced out as manager of the

Giants and announced he was leaving the organization after 23 years with the team, the last six as manager.

Like Ruth, Oh originally was a pitcher. But unlike Ruth, to whom hitting seemed to come naturally, Oh had to work at becoming a star. At 5 feet 10 inches, weighing a trim 80 pounds, nothing about Oh suggested power. Switched from pitching in high school to first base, he was anything but a sensation in his early years.

In his first season he hit a miserable .161 with only seven homers. Through three seasons he accumulated only 37 homers and never batted above .270.

Then, in 1962 a batting coach helped him come up with the one-legged flamingo stance in which Oh, a left-handed hitter, balanced himself on his left leg and used the right leg to shift his weight into the ball. Using the stance from midseason, Oh smashed 38 homers to lead the league that year.

Oh became the undisputed all-time home run king of baseball in Japan. His records stand at virtually unapproachable peaks. Among them: 910 career home runs, includ-

ing 42 in Japan series and all star games, 15 career grand slams, 5,862 total bases, 2,170 runs batted in, 2,504 walks and 1,967 hits.

His home run records are all the more remarkable for the fact that Japan's baseball season was never longer than 140 games, and in recent years has been out to 130 games, unlike 162 in the United States. Oh's 55 homers in 1964 stand as the season record in Japan. Three times he hit 50 or more homers in a season, including 1977, the year in which he surpassed Aaron's total. Thirteen times he hit 40 or more homers.

In 1973 and 1974, he won the Triple Crown — the best batting average, the most runs, and the most runs batted in. He won the batting crown five times and finished with a career average of .301.

Once forbidden to play in national high school championships because he was a Chinese, Oh never expressed resentment.

"My parents taught me if people cause trouble for you, ignore them, but never cause trouble for others," he once said.

Whatever discrimination Oh suffered in his early days faded completely as the homers rang off his bat.

In 1977, the government created a new national award called the "National Hero's Award," and Oh became the first recipient.

Although 1977 was the first year in which Oh's salary surpassed the \$200,000 mark, he was never known to have disputed a contract. Oh once said that "viewed from Japan, it sometimes appears that American players put money before playing the game. Here, the feeling is that one plays well first, and the financial side will take care of itself."

Last year, his income, including revenue from commercials, was \$873,000, by far the highest of any athlete in Japan.

Oh's courtesy to fans was legendary. Americans who played with him marveled at how he would sit for hours after a game signing autographs. "He never refused anybody," former California Angels pitcher Clyde Wright, who once played for the Giants, said two years ago.



(Photo by Laurie Thomas)
DEFENDING: Bertil Olsson and Rudi Edholm, two of last year's winning Armaska team, recently competed in the Jeddah Open.

18 teams in tennis league

By Laurie Thomas

JEDDAH, Nov. 11 — The growth of tennis in Jeddah was clearly evident by the record number of entries in last season's Air France tournament and the popularity of the recent Raytheon — sponsored Jeddah Open.

The Jeddah Tennis League begins on Nov. 22 and again, there is a record entry.

Eighteen teams will contest two divisions this year, with last year's nine teams being joined by nine new teams. Some of the new teams are from companies entering the league for the first time while the others are from existing teams accommodating extra players by forming second or third teams.

Last season's league champion, Armaska, is entering a second team while Raytheon has formed a third team. Saudia has entered in strength with A and B teams. Eight of last

year's 9 teams will form the first division this year, new teams plus Raytheon B making up division two.

Last season there was an interesting climax to the league when Armaska and New Jeddah Airport tied on points and decided the championship in a play-off.

This year, however the situation is different. Each fixture consists of nine rubbers combining singles and doubles matches. Whichever team wins the most rubbers gains one point towards its league position.

The league will run through to April 1981, playing every Saturday, with a short Christmas break. Arab News will have a weekly report with results.

There are still a few vacancies on some of the teams. Anyone interested in joining should contact league Secretary Maurice Lamb, at P.O. Box 6343, Jeddah.

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W. Indies set for cricket comeback

By Shahid Orakzai

PESHAWAR, Nov. 11 — The touring West Indians were Monday poised for their first victory in a second 3-day warm-up match against a local side here after they suffered a surprise defeat Friday in the first fixture of their 68-day tour which includes a four-test series.

Windies batsman Desmond Haynes and Larry Gomes proved equally good on the

uneven pitch where pacers Sylvester Clarke and Joel Garner demolished a third rate governor's eleven for a paltry 91.

Score on the 2nd day: governor's eleven 91 and 55 for 3; Windies: 267.

Haynes knock of 86 studded with 13 fours and Gomes' innings of 85 enabled the tourists to take their overnight score of 78 for 3 to 267 for all 10 tea time.

Governor's eleven, needing 177 to avert an innings in imminent defeat, was off to a confident start but was soon kneeling at 55 for 3 after Garner took the first wicket of seasoned opener Sadiq Muhammad at 46.

Pacers Clarke and Garner appeared to be repeating their Sunday's performance when they returned with figures of 5 for 29 and 3 for 27. Garner, however improved his figures Monday snatching two wickets for only 5 runs

in the second innings.

The services ground wicket which helped Windies pacemen on the first day changed its behavior overnight and made home side depend on spinners.

Desmond Haynes spearheaded Windies scoring followed by Gomes who put up a brilliant all round exhibition of strokes in 6th and 6th wicket partner ship with Milton Pydanna and Malcolm Marshall.

Skipper Sarfraz checked the run rate through his spinners but was let down by his fielders.

Governor's eleven, losing their three vital wickets, face an uphill task Tuesday with all their hopes in batsman Azhar Khan after stylish Zaheer Abbas had to step out for medical reason and Sadiq Muhammad falling prey to risky shots.

Oilers top Patriots

HOUSTON, Nov. 11 (UPI) — The Houston Oilers rolled to a National Football League Monday night win over the New England Patriots. But the plucky Patriots were no pushover, with the final score reading 38-34.

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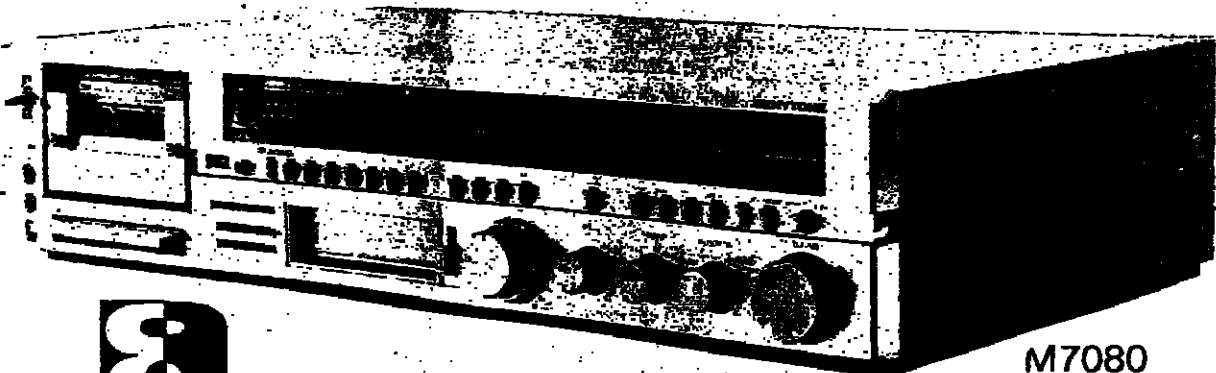
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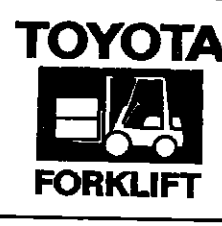
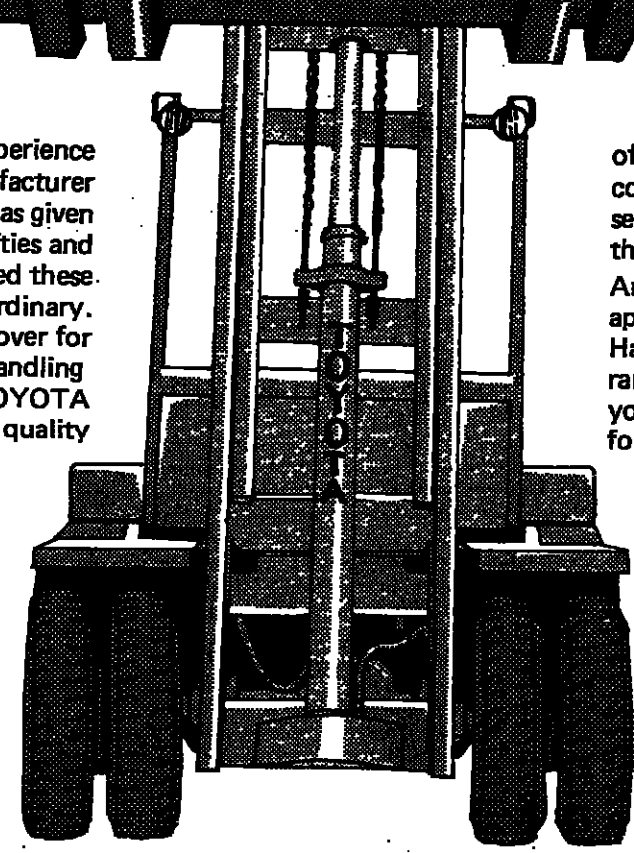
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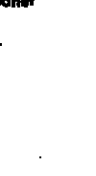
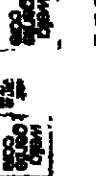
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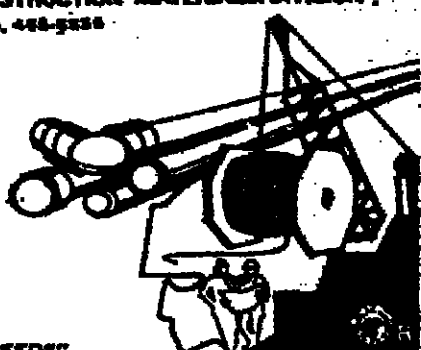
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Arrest order out on Italian official

ROME, Nov. 11 (AFP) — A warrant issued Monday night for the arrest of a former director of Italy's special financial police, Gen. Donato Lo Prete, further dramatized an oil scandal in which the country's secret services and two foreign governments are believed embroiled.

Faced with the gravity of the accusations, and danger of worse discoveries, the Italian government has shrouded the case with "state secret" status.

But the inquiry is believed to have proved that the murder in March last year of journalist Mino Pecorelli was closely linked to the scandal. The journalist is thought to have been given the Italian Information and Defense Service (IDS) documents which are now key evidence in the oil scandal.

The Italian press, including the influential *Corriere della Sera*, Tuesday suggested that senior Libyan and Maltese officials had arranged deals exchanging oil for sophisticated military equipment.

The magistrate handling the case, Achille

Gallucci, was due to ask Prime Minister Arnaldo Forlani if he intended to uphold the state secrecy order on the scandal, believed to involve anything from \$200 million to \$2.5 billion embezzled from 1974 to 1978.

At a press conference today, Gallucci said that a big breakthrough in the case would be to discover who gave Mino Pecorelli the intelligence documents. Meanwhile Lo Prete escaped arrest and is widely believed to have managed to leave the country.

The warrant for his arrest was signed on Friday but for execution on Monday, giving the general all weekend to plan his escape. The Socialist newspaper *La Repubblica* said Tuesday that it was incredible that the former police chief, officially suspected since Dec. 4 last year of favoring private concerns when in office, had been allowed to keep his passport all this time.

The Communist daily *Il Manifesto*, under the headline "Corpses, Generals and the IDS," charged that someone had warned Lo Prete of his imminent arrest.

Journalists reinstated

Relief greets Polish verdict

WARSAW, Nov. 11 (Agencies) — Poland awoke Tuesday with immense relief, though aware of the need for increased vigilance in order to maintain the precarious balance achieved after weeks of open conflict by the trades unions and the authorities.

After the decision of the supreme court, seen as historic in Poland, to restore the original wording of the statutes of the independent union Solidarity, in exchange for an annex that recalls the leading role of the party, the time has come for the Poles to get back to work as a matter of urgency.

This is not only the evident opinion of the party leaders and the government. It is also the view of trades union officials and the population. "Without Equivocation and in a Responsible Way" is the banner headline used Tuesday by *Trybuna Ludu*, organ of the Polish unified workers party, for its report on Monday's events. Significantly this includes the full statement by Solidarity leaders and long extracts from the press conference given by Lech Walesa.

The paper comments that Solidarity proposed a compromise while comprehending the need to add an ideological declaration to its statutes. It said: "A partnership platform has been created for cooperation with a view to renewing the nation's life, and a co-responsibility platform for Poland, with the aim of first normalization based on the political principles linked to the system."

The paper said the underlying dispute was over but this did not necessarily mean the end

of divergences on detailed aspects. Lech Walesa, exhausted, happy but modest, declared: "nobody has lost but we cannot speak of a victory." The real victory was the one at Gdansk on Aug. 31. Now we shall move on to the next stage, the most difficult; the organizing of the union in the factories, and trades union elections. Now it is time to busy ourselves with important things for our country."

A further indication of the return to calm was the reversal Tuesday of an order paring visiting Western correspondents. A foreign ministry spokesman said all 11 correspondents who were summoned to the passport office Monday and told to leave the country within 24 hours could now stay as long as their visas were valid. Reporters who were barred from entering Poland would be allowed into the country.

And in West Berlin, Western military experts said they doubted a Warsaw announcement that joint Soviet-Polish military maneuvers were held in Poland in the past few days.

Polish television showed film last Saturday of what it said were joint tank, aircraft, helicopter and amphibious craft war games with the Soviet Union over the previous days. But the sources said Western experts, who monitor Poland with sophisticated electronic surveillance systems, had detected no unusual troop movements. The TV reports used archive film, the experts said.

Ceasefire quiets Zimbabwe city

SALISBURY, Nov. 11 (AFP) — An uneasy truce has settled over the Zimbabwe's second city of Bulawayo as a result of a cease-fire agreed late Monday between former guerrillas from the two factions within the ruling coalition.

Authorities in the southern city, where 18 people have been killed and almost 300 wounded in armed clashes between the rival groups, however remained uncertain as to whether the truce would hold.

The two groups involved were former guerrillas loyal to Prime Minister Robert Mugabe and those who support Joshua Nkomo, the home affairs minister and leader of the Patriotic Front (PF) Party. Police said the situation "remained on a knife edge." One spokesman said the fighting could erupt again "at the slightest provocation."

Hundreds of heavily armed former guerrillas meanwhile moved back into their separate bases in one of the city's western area townships Tuesday, refusing to speak to reporters

or be photographed.

Armed with rifles, rockets and hand-grenades, the guerrillas were returning from outlying areas after breaking through police and army cordons that had been thrown around the city's black townships.

Several hundred township residents were also streaming back to their homes Tuesday after spending the night in bush areas around the city where they had fled for safety. But roadblocks on main routes to the western townships were still in place Tuesday with police and army units searching cars.

The city's Mpilo Hospital meanwhile remained choked with blacks awaiting treatment for wounds and injuries. A hospital spokesman said nearly 300 people had been treated.

Monday night, 28 of the more serious casualties had been hospitalized, at least 12 of them with gunshot wounds, the spokesman said.

Foot every socialist's second best

Once fiery radical, he now urges compromise; favors state ownership, end to private property



Michael Foot

LONDON, Nov. 11 (AP) — Britain's new opposition Labor Party leader, Michael Foot, silver-haired leftwinger and one-time radical socialist, never held a ministerial post until he was 60. He entered characteristically late the contest to succeed James Callaghan, 68, moderate Labor leader and former prime minister, who resigned last month.

Foot, deputy leader under Callaghan, scraped to victory over rightwinger Denis Healey, 63, because, in the view of many observers, he was everybody's second choice in the strife-torn socialist movement.

Foot was first elected to the House of Commons in 1945. He stalked the labor back bench for decades as the guardian of its left wing — a fiery, rebel, instinctive pacifist, opponent of British membership in the European Economic Community, and advocate of a society that would virtually abolish private property, class differences and the profit motive.

The socialist thrust of Foot's programs remains strong: increased public spending, state ownership, gradual withdrawal from the EEC, close consultation with trade unions. But since his first constraining experience of cabinet office — he became employment secretary under Prime Minister Harold Wilson in 1974 — Foot has moved closer to the middle ground.

"Anyone in government saying he's not going to have to compromise — that's not a

policy for socialists, it's a policy for hermits," Foot remarked.

In 1964 he refused cabinet office because of Wilson's support for U.S. President Lyndon Johnson's Vietnam policies.

Foot was born one of seven children of a radical legislator in the centrist Liberal Party. One brother, Sir Dingle Foot, became solicitor-general. Two others are life peers — Lord Caradon, a former British U.N. ambassador, and Lord Foot, a prominent member of the Liberal Party.

Foot broke from his family's political tradition while an economics student at Oxford. Much of Foot's career has been as a political journalist. He edited a leftwing weekly, *The Tribune*, on and off until 1960. As a result of an unlikely friendship with Conservative press Baron Lord Beaverbrook, Foot was editor of the *London Evening Standard* during World War II.

But it was not a working relationship that could endure. Resigning in June 1944, he wrote to Beaverbrook: "As far as this socialist business is concerned, my views are unshakable. For me it is Klondyke or bust."

Foot is a man of great personal charm. Naturally shy, he is transformed into a brilliant orator in the House of Commons. His belief in the sovereignty of Parliament accounts for his opposition to the European Community — but not, he says, to Europe.

Iran awaiting U.S. reply on conditions

BEIRUT, Nov. 11 (AP) — Iran's government has not yet received the U.S. reply to Iranian parliament conditions for the release of the 52 U.S. hostages, a spokesman for Prime Minister Muhammad Ali Rajai said Tuesday.

The spokesman, Ahmad Azizi, said in a telephone interview that the hostages remained under the physical control of the militants who seized the U.S. Embassy in Tehran on Nov. 4, 1979.

"We will announce it when we receive it," said Azizi.

Azizi said the letter would have to be hand delivered by an Algerian envoy. U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher flew to Algiers on Monday to hand over the American response.

Asked what Iran's reaction would be if only some of the conditions for the hostages were released as some reports suggested, Azizi said, "We can't know anything about their reply until we receive it."

Iran's parliament on Nov. 2 laid down four conditions for freeing the hostages: return of the late Shah's wealth, dropping of legal claims against Iran, a pledge of U.S. non-interference in Iranian affairs and unfreezing of Iranian assets in U.S. banks.

Meanwhile Iranian President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr said that if the U.S. hostage crisis were resolved in a week, resumption of arms supplies could help Iran in the war with Iraq.

Asked on Tehran about the effect on the war of releasing the hostages, the president was reported to have said: "During a war, time is a decisive element. If the question were resolved in a week, we would take advantage and make use of the means outside and replenish our equipment. But if it takes more time, then it won't have much effect."

Iraqi officials have said they will not stand by idly if America supplies Iran with the spare parts and bombs paid for by the Shah but never delivered because of the U.S. embargo clamped on the country after the hostages were seized.



Warren Christopher

China to build dam on Yangtze River

HONG KONG, Nov. 11 (AFP) — Communist China is about to dam up the Yangtze River on the coming winter-spring low water season at Gezhouba, Hubei province, where the country's biggest power project is under construction.

On completion, the project will not only add to China's power-generating capacity but also break the age-old navigational bottleneck at the famous Yangtze gorges. The completed project will have two power stations with a total generating capacity of 2,715,000 kilowatts, the New China News Agency reported.

The reservoir formed by the dam will be able to store 1,580 million cubic meters of water and will back up the choppy waters of the three gorges 100 kilometers upstream and improve the difficult navigation channel, the agency said. About 1,600 meters of the 2,561 meter-long main dam have so far been completed, NCNA said.

This section includes a 27-arch flood discharge gate, a six-arch silt discharge gate, buildings for a power station and two shipping locks. One of the locks can accommodate ships up to 10,000 tons and the other lock is to be used for smaller passenger liners and freighters.

Both gold, dollar dip in trading for second day

LONDON, Nov. 11 (AP) — The U.S. dollar tumbled further on world money markets Tuesday in erratic trading, following a sharp decline Monday. Gold prices also fell.

International speculators were deserting the dollar "in droves," commented the *London Daily Telegraph*. According to a foreign exchange dealer in Milan, "The dollar is perhaps paying for the too-sharp and immediate boost after Reagan's election."

The drop was reportedly accelerated by dollar sales from a Middle Eastern country.

In London, the pound was under pressure because of restrictive unions, economic problems facing Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government and the sharp increase in U.S. interest rates which now nearly match those on offer in London.

The pound had its largest one-day fall for 15 months on Monday, losing 2 3/4 percent of its value, and has lost 6 cents against the dollar in the past week. Sterling was slightly firmer Tuesday morning at \$2.3965, up from 2.392.

French markets were shut for a holiday.

London's five bullion houses delayed agreement on a morning "fixing" or recommended gold price because of volatile trading. The pre-fixing price was \$398.50 a troy ounce, down from \$613.25 on Monday. In Zurich gold traded at a median \$601.50 an ounce, down from \$613.50. Earlier in Hong Kong gold closed at \$604.81, down \$11.43.

Silver was quoted in London at \$17.65 an ounce, down from \$18.20. The United States was celebrating Veterans' Day public holiday Tuesday.

Good Morning

By Ebad Khazem

Again, on failure — and not your hum-drum variety but real, two-fisted, hand-digger failure, failure of epic dimension which obtains, through its very extravagance, a grandeur all its own.

The simple thought of failure brings the word "Edsel" to mind. This was the car launched in 1957 by the Ford company, of which only half were sold. And that half was soon discovered to have major defects, and most had to be recalled.

But that itself is perhaps not the real measure of this particular whopper. The real index comes from the police: Only one Edsel was ever stolen. Car thieves, apparently, wouldn't risk losing their professional honor by ripping such a Turkey.

And speaking of cars — the driving thereof: A certain British lady failed her driving test in London in 1974. Nothing dramatic about that you might think — until you get this background: It was the lady's thirty-ninth attempt.

Another lady, a certain Mrs. Helen Ireland, however, bettered this supreme effort, if not in duration then in intensity. Mrs. Ireland, after introducing herself civilly to her driving examiner, took her seat behind the wheel while he got in beside her. She then said something like "Here we go!" and put her foot on the gas. The car shot forward destroying the wall of the garage where the test was to begin. The examiner got out and calmly told her that she failed.

Finally, a complete change of scene: Ireland itself (and not the eponymous heroine), whose government was warned by the EEC that it wasn't implementing equal pay between men and women as the EEC regulations demand.

The Irish government thought hard and saw the justice of the EEC's demand. It appointed a commission to oversee equal pay. It advertised for a wise and good person to head it, then said, in that same ad, that a successful male candidate should, of course, expect higher pay than female one.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awad

Passport fraud case still in Paris court

PARIS, Nov. 11 (AFP) — A Paris court has reserved its judgment on six people accused of issuing faked Turkish, Swedish, Dutch and African passports to political militants in South Africa, South America and the Third World. Judgment is expected on Nov. 24, but the punishments are expected to be light.

Two of the six have been in prison for the past six months awaiting trial — they are Maria Amara, a 29-year-old artist and her husband Jean-Philippe Elantkowski, a 24-year-old engraver. Both are Argentines.

One of the other four, who were freed on bail to face charges of issuing false documents, is Daniel Landres, a 34-year-old engineer who lived for a time in South Africa but left to protest apartheid.

All the accused have denied being members of the organization "Solidarite" founded by Henri Curiel, who was assassinated mysteriously outside his Paris flat three years ago.

Eight hundred false Turkish passports and false Camerounian passports, and one Zaire, were found in a studio rented by Elantkowski.

Bent coin admits U.S. shopkeeper to world of red tape

CARPINTERIA, California, Nov. 11 (LAT) — All Tedd Mayer wanted was a usable quarter in return for the mutilated 25-cent piece he took in at his little card and gift shop in this seaside community south of Santa Barbara. What he got was a six-month runaround that ultimately ended with the U.S. government short-changing him a penny.

The Saga of the Scalloped Quarter, subtitled the One Penny Opera, began late last winter when a customer gave a clerk in Mayer's Castles Hallmark shop a quarter that looked like a little pie. It was recognizable as a 25-cent piece, but Mayer did not want to recirculate it to a customer.

"I didn't want to keep passing it on," he said. "It was coarse and sharp...so I put it in the regular business (bank) deposit." But a clerk at Mayer's bank refused to accept the mutilated coin.

Now Mayer doesn't look like the kind of guy who is ready to crusade at the drop of a quarter. He's a soft-spoken man of 57 with closely cropped gray hair and horn-rimmed glasses — but he does like to get his two bits worth.

"It just struck me as kind of funny," he

said of the bank's rejection. "You know, money's money."

So, deciding to take the matter right to the source, Mayer typed a note to the U.S. Treasury Department and taped the quarter to the letter. "Dear sir," says Mayer's letter. "It is the principle of the matter not the amount...one of my clerks willingly took the enclosed quarter on a purchase in my store. I enclosed it in a regular bank deposit and they returned it as unusable. Please replace with quarter that is usable."

Mayer sent that letter, addressed simply Treasury Department, Washington, D.C. last March 4.

Three months later, he received a reply dated June 10, signed by Alan J. Goldman, Assistant Director of the Mint for Technology.

"We are returning to you by registered mail, under separate cover, one envelope of mutilated coin forwarded to this office in error," begins Goldman's letter. "Please ship this, to the Superintendent, United States Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, New York 10005, for redemption...Enclosed is a copy of Treasury Cir-

cular No. 55. Subpart C. Exchange of Mutilated Coin, parts 100.10 through 100.15, explains in detail the exchange of mutilated coin."

With Goldman's letter were six pages of regulations pertaining to exchanging damaged coins. A few days later, Mayer's bad quarter along with his letter to the Treasury Department arrived in the mail, safely packaged in a 6-inch by 4-inch cardboard box stuffed with plastic padding.

In late June, Mayer sent the 25-cent piece, still taped to his original letter, to the Federal Assay Office in New York. In early August, he received a postcard dated the 5th of the month, stating: "Dear Depositor, Your coin shipment has been received. Due to the present workload there will be a delay of 10 to 12 weeks before mutilated and/or uncurrent coin deposits can be processed for payment. If inquiring about your shipment please make reference to No. 2652...We will appreciate your patience and understanding in this matter."

But Mayer did not have to wait 10 to 12

weeks. Two weeks later, he received a letter dated Aug. 18 under the letterhead of the Department of Treasury, Bureau of The Mint, United States Assay Office.

"Dear sir," says the letter signed by Joseph A. Setaro, head of the Cash Division. "Payment is hereby tendered for your recent coin shipment, in accordance with the terms of Treasury Department Circular No. 55 (revised)...Bullion or metal value of mutilated coin...\$24."

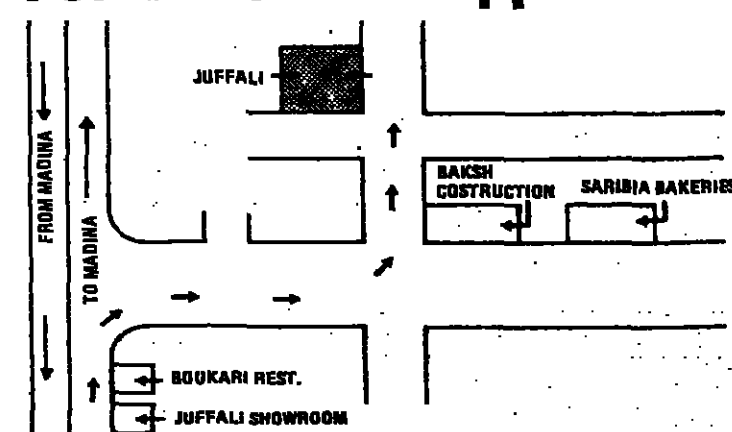
Enclosed was a folded card entitled United States Assay Office and inside the fold were two dimes and four pennies, attached to the card with masking tape.

Mayer had taken a penny's loss on his dealings with the government. But the people of Carpinteria are not without heart. When they read of Mayer's adventure in the town's newspaper, he got some donations. "I received five pennies from sympathetic citizens," said Mayer. "So the amount I got back is up to 29 cents now."

Then, thinking of his recent financial dealings with the federal government, he added: "I suppose I'll have to report the 4 cents as income."

New Juffali Sales Point in Jeddah

For household appliances



In view of the heavy traffic and congestion in downtown Jeddah, E.A. Juffali and Bros. have opened a new sales point on Medina Road (see map) which will operate along with the main showroom on King Abdulaziz Street. It is now possible to purchase all your requirements of Kelvinator refrigerators, washing machines, dryers, and cookers as well as York air conditioners and other household appliances from the new sales point.

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